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Asahi is Hikato's [substitute mother], she provides fresh blood for him until he recovers his old self. After experiencing several events, Asahi has learned about Hikato's past and secrets, and she's slowly falling in love with him! Hikato is actually a member of the vampires' royal family, and he's going to be called back by the Queen...! What kind of disputes will this cause between Hikato and Asahi..?!

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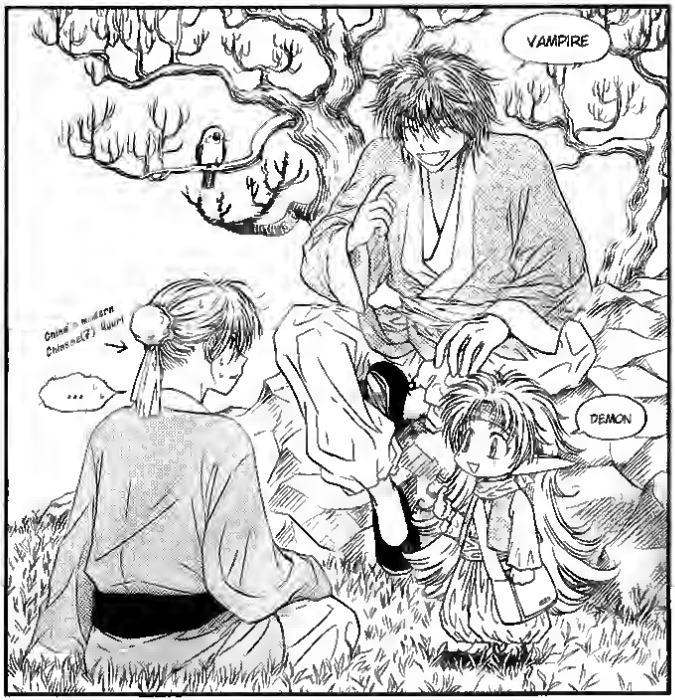

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Asahi's House
TOMORROW IS VALENTINE'S DAY
SO I'M MAKING CHOCOLATES TO GIVE TO HIKATO
ALTHOUGH VAMPIRES DON'T SEEM TO HAVE THIS TRADITION,
THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THE SINCERITY (?)...
I'll just give them to him

⑥ Hi everyone, long time no see. This is Amahara. The second volume of Kekkatsu Rush and my 11th work... time really flies! Although I am still an amateur, I'm happy as long as everyone enjoys the book.

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天原 Amahara

You like it even when you're grown up?
Umm
WILL HIKATO BE HAPPY?
HE LOVES SWEET STUFF A LOT SO HE MIGHT LIKE IT
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I PUT SO MUCH EFFORT INTO IT
...
SO THIS IS THE SO-CALLED CHOCO-LATE OF LOVE HUH
...
THE GROWN UP HIKATO IS ALWAYS ON MY MIND RECENTLY...
CLOSED

Hikaru's place
THE NEXT DAY
THANK YOU!
THIS IS A CUSTOM OF HUMANS THAT WE PRACTICE WHEN WE ARE CELEBRATING A FESTIVAL.
I KNOW A LITTLE ABOUT THIS,
AND THUS WAS KIND OF EXPECTING A GIFT FROM YOU
AHAHA, IS THAT SO
THANK GOODNESS I MADE THE GIFT

W...
WHY DID YOU REVERT TO YOUR ORIGINAL FORM?
BECAUSE THIS IS THE REAL ME!
WAH!
THEN I'LL START EATING NOW.
There's also tea to go with it
OR I CAN'T EAT IN THIS FORM?
IT'S NOT THAT!!
HURRY UP AND EAT!
heh

WAH THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT TYPES!
ALTHOUGH THE SMALL HIKATO IS CUTE,
IT'S VERY DELICIOUS!
BUT IT'S A PITY TO FINISH ALL THESE, SHOULD I KEEP ONE AS A SOUVENIR?
This is none so deliciously
If you save them for too long, IT'LL SPOIL!
I can make you some more.
UNKNOWINGLY THE REAL HIKATO'S FACE MOVES MY HEART.
HAVE I REALLY FALLEN IN LOVE WITH HIKATO
Rat shaped
Rat-shaped chocolates
By the way, yuri also recieved chocolates.
so soon? Oh

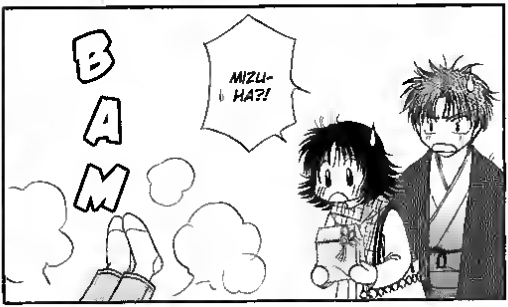
Asahi's Chocolates
ASAHI SEEMS LIKE SHE'S GOOD IN MAKING VALENTINE CHOCOLATES
BUT ACTUALLY SHE HAS A LOT OF FAIL PRODUCTS
Ah——
Failed again——!!
ALL ALLOWENCE HAS BEEN USED UP TO BUY THE INGREDIENTS
The proportions were wrong again
oh no
SO WHERE DID ALL THE FAILED PRODUCTS GO...?
THIS MUCH?
PAPA, CHOCOLATES FOR YOU
POOR PAPA!
— SEIRYUU WILL PROBABLY HAVE A FIT!
no need
NEXT, I'LL BE GIVING CHOCOLATES TO THE PRIEST
Seiryuu hates Hisato and the people rd dtd to him
Let's eat together!
That's why I obviously someone who has some relation to Hisato
IT MUST BE SETTLED SOON...
BUT IT'S NOT GOOD FOR US TO ALWAYS BE ON HIS BAD SIDE
Kane-mori
I CAME TO GIVE YOU CHOCOLATE SINCE IT'S VALENTINE'S DAY!
... IS THERE SOMETHING YOU NEED?
※ Even though the temple is destroyed, the house is fine.
temple
house
YOU CAN'T REJECT EVERYTHING JUST BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT ANY RIGHT?
BUT THERE'S ALSO SOME CHOCOLATES FOR THE PRIEST AND THE OTHERS INSIDE
I knew you would say that.
What are you thinking?
THERE'S NO NEED FOR THAT!
Slowly persuading him
Transcendence

He won't cut today!
THEN JUST TAKE THEM DIRECTLY TO MY DAD...
WHY ARE YOU SO STUBBORN?
EVEN IF YOU CONTINUE TO REJECT HIKATO, NOTHING WILL CHANGE!
YOU GUYS DON'T HAVE TO BE GOOD FRIENDS
I THINK SEIRYUU HATES HIKATO BECAUSE HE DOESN'T UNDER-STAND HIM
BUT I WISH YOU WOULD AT LEAST LISTEN TO HIS!
I HOPE YOU'LL CHANGE YOUR OPINION AFTER YOU GET TO KOW HIM MORE...!
...ASAHI! DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE HIS HIGHNESS
I... I DID GIVE IT ...?
Ah...
IS THAT SO...?
Umm...His Highness...
...CHOCO-LATE?

ON CHRISTMAS DAY, HIKATO'S PLACE HAD A CHRISTMAS TREE

SHOCK
Christ... Christmas tree...?!
HE EVEN DECORATED THE CHRISTMAS TREE ON CHRISTMAS
HE DOESN'T SEEM TO REJECT SUCH FESTIVE THINGS?
I think it's fine.
tilt

ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT EATING CAKES AND EXCHANGING PRESENTS IS A MUST...



EH?

VAMPIRES ARE BEINGS THAT WERE ABANDONED BY HUMANS.
DON'T YOU KNOW?

WAIT...
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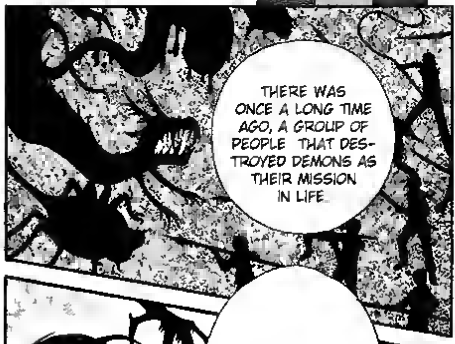

THERE WAS ONCE A LONG TIME AGO, A GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT DESTROYED DEMONS AS THEIR MISSION IN LIFE.

IN ORDER TO BECOME STRONGER, THEY SUCKED THE DEMONS BODIES INTO THEMSELVES.
AND BECAME A SPECIAL TYPE OF BEING

tch
YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW.

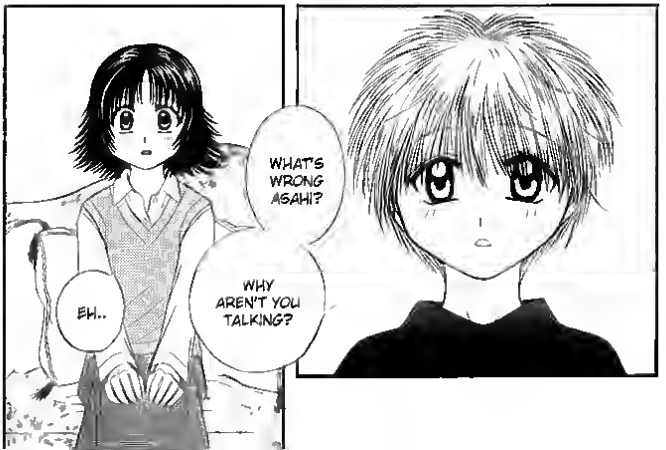
AS TIME PASSED, THEY DRIFTED EVEN FURTHER AWAY FROM THE HUMANS.
THEY USED THIS STRENGTH AND FINALLY PUSHED THE DEMONS BACK TO THE OTHER WORLD.
IN THE END THEY BECAME WHAT THEY FOUGHT AGAINST BEFORE. A KIND OF "DEMON".
BUT THE HUMANS AVOIDED THEM AS THEY WERE "DEMONIC CREATURES"
THAT YOU CALL "VAMPIRE" NOW.

I NEVER KNEW
THIS.
B.. BUT...
MOST OF THE VAMPIRES LIVE ON THE OTHER SIDE IN THE OTHER WORLD,
BECAUSE HUMANS HAVE NO NEED FOR THE VAMPIRES' EXSISTANCE HERE.

YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE THE BRIDGE BETWEEN ME AND HIKATO,
IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND VAMPIRES AS MUCH AS I DO.
HIKATO DID NOT REALLY OPEN HIS HEART TO YOU.
NO MATTER HOW ONE TREASURES ANOTHER, IF HE CANNOT TRUST, IT'S ALL AN ACT.
I WISH TO BREAK
THIS SORT OF HURTFUL RELATIONSHIP.
THAT'S WHY
THE MOST PITIFUL PERSON IS THE SUBSTITUTE MOTHER

NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU WANT TO BE PART OF HIS FAMILY,
HE'LL DEFINATELY PUSH YOU AWAY IN THE END...
— I ONLY KNOW THAT HIKATO'S FINE EVEN IF HE IS IN THE SUN,
...LIKE AN IDIOT
HE'S NOT AFRAID OF THE CROSS OR GARLIC, AND HE LIKES SWEET STUFF.
THAT'S ALL
I THOUGHT I KNEW EVERYTHING
HE HAS NEVER TOLD ME ANYTHING ABOUT HIS FAMILY'S HISTORY
HE DIDN'T REALLY OPEN UP TO ME
BECAUSE I'M HUMAN?
NOR HIS FRUSTRATIONS
WILL HE TELL ME IF I BECAME A VAMPIRE LIKE NUO?

BUT THAT'S JUST WAY TOO WEIRD!
NO MATTER WHO'S SIDE I'M ON, I'M STILL ME!
HIKATO ONCE TOLD ME "I WANT TO PRO-TECT YOU",
AND THAT HE SEES ME AS AN IMPORTANT PERSON,
I KNOW,
BUT TO HIKATO, WHAT AM I?


WHAT'S WRONG ASAHI?
WHY AREN'T YOU TALKING?
EH..

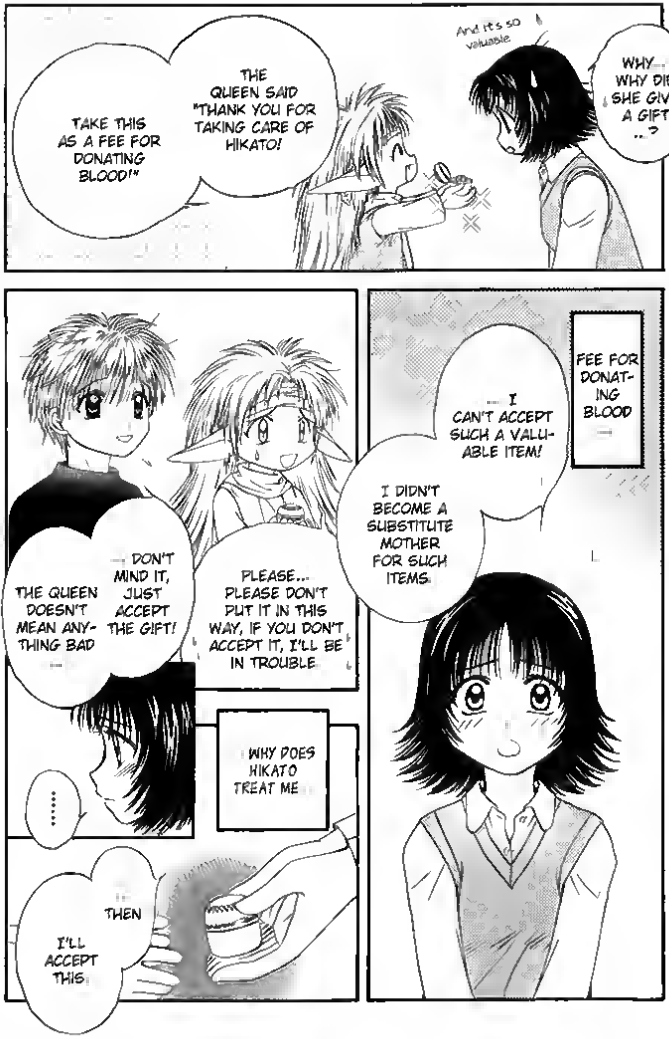
THESE DAYS EVEN IF IT IS THE SMALL HIKATO...
IT WILL STILL MAKE ME THINK OF THE REAL HIKATO
...IT'S NOTHING ...?
TO HIKATO,
THIS IS FEEDING
BUT TO ME,
IT SEEMS LIKE I AM BEING KISSED EVERY-DAY
EVEN THOUGH WE'VE NEVER KISSED ...

. YOU NEVER TOLD ME ANY OF YOUR SECRETS
SECRETS?
DON'T YOU HAVE ANY WORRIES?
because
YOU'LL ONLY SAY WHAT YOU LIKE, WHAT YOU'RE AFRAID OF, WHAT YOU'RE HAPPY ABOUT,
ACTUALLY, THERE'S ONE
WH..AT...?
HE'S GOING TO SAY IT
DEFEAT
WHAT SHOULD I GET YOU IN RETURN FOR THE CHCOLATES?
referring to White Day
hush
hush

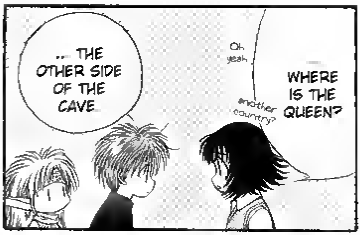
PAIN!!!
Damn it! Only this?
Think harder
SFX: POOF
ドカーン
cough cough cough cough
...DAMN!
I FAILED AGAIN!
It should've been more dramatic when I came out...
cough cough

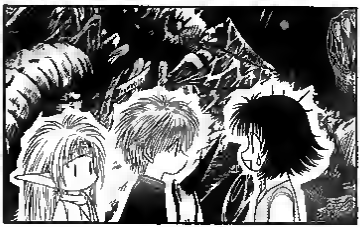
It's been a long time Hikata Your Highness!
I'm into again—!
HARI-PO
Eh... What ...?!
MY NAME IS HARIPO
AND I AM THE SPRITE IN CHARGE OF SERVING THE VAMPIRE QUEEN!
QUEEN?
HARIPO-SAN ?
What an interesting name.
YOU CAN JUST CALL ME HARI-CHAN, ASAHI!
shakes vigorously
I'M HERE TODAY TO PASS THE PRESENT TO YOUR HIGHNESS ON BEHALF OF THE QUEEN!
Please accept it!
ALTHOUGH IT'S LATE BY 10 DAYS, THESE ARE CHOCOLATES FOR VALENTINE'S DAY!
SHE'S VERY AWARE OF THE CUSTOMS HERE TOO...
SHE FOUND OUT ABOUT IT BEFORE! IT'S ALL BECAUSE YOU NEVER WENT TO SEE THE QUEEN!
Heartless Bastard!
EH...
HIKATO,
COULD IT BE THAT THE QUEEN LIKES YOU TOO ...?
not again
YOU'RE WRONG
AH... IS THAT SO
THE QUEEN WANTS YOU TO BRING A PRESENT BACK TO SEE HER ON WHITE DAY!

THE QUEEN IS MY COUSIN
COUSIN?
... THEN HIKATO IS A RELATIVE OF THE QUEEN?!
.....
SHOULD BE!
Hey—
WHAT DO YOU MEAN SHOULD BE? YOU SHOULD AT LEAST HAVE SOME SENSE OF PRIDE!
... YOU HID ANOTHER IMPORTANT THING FROM ME AGAIN
AH!
THAT'S RIGHT!
THE QUEEN ALSO GAVE ASAHI A GIFT!
It's also a valuable item here right?
THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADE COLOURED STAR JEWEL!
SPARKLE


TAKE THIS AS A FEE FOR DONATING BLOOD!"
THE QUEEN SAID "THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF HIKATO!
And it's so valuable
WHY... WHY DID SHE GIVE A GIFT ..?
FEE FOR DONATING BLOOD
I CAN'T ACCEPT SUCH A VALUABLE ITEM!
I DIDN'T BECOME A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER FOR SUCH ITEMS.
PLEASE... PLEASE DON'T PUT IT IN THIS WAY, IF YOU DON'T ACCEPT IT, I'LL BE IN TROUBLE
DON'T MIND IT, JUST ACCEPT THE GIFT!
THE QUEEN DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING BAD
WHY DOES HIKATO TREAT ME
.....
THEN I'LL ACCEPT THIS

EH...
I CAN HELP YOU GIVE IT TO HER IF YOU DON'T WANT TO GO THROUGH THIS MUCH TROUBLE
BUT,
HIKATO HAS TO BRING ME TO THE QUEEN ON WHITE DAY,
BECAUSE I WISH TO RETURN THE GIFT TO THE QUEEN MYSELF.
I WANT TO GIVE IT TO HER MYSELF!
AND I ALSO WANT TO MEET THE QUEEN!
BECAUSE HIKATO NEVER TELLS ME ANYTHING!
I'M NOT!
WOAH
SHE— SHE BECAME A VAMPIRE!
WHY— WHY ARE YOU SO ANGRY ..?


... THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CAVE...
Oh, yeah.
another country?
WHERE IS THE QUEEN?


Shhhh

IF HIKARU DOESN'T TELL ME ANYTHING
THEN I'LL JUST RESEARCHED ON HIM MYSELF
.....

... BECAUSE ... I DON'T DARE SAY SUCH WORDS AS "OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME"
... I WOULD BE ABLE TO SAY IT BEFORE

I HAVE TO GET MY SPIRITS UP! THERE'S NO OTHER WAY!!
No need! I'll go myself!!
THAT'S WHY I...
wanted to save it to her for you.
I CAN'T GET WHAT I WANT IF I DO NOT GO INTO DANGER!!(^^)
A very scared cat.

I CAN SAY ANYTHING IF IT WAS TO PROTECT THE SMALL HIKATO
BUT NOW,
She doesn't listen to what I say
Are you really listening, Asahi-san there?
WHEN I THINK HOW SAYING IT OUT WOULD-N'T MAKE A DIFF-ERENCE,
OR HOW I CAN'T GET MY FEELINGS ACROSS,
I FEEL SO SCARED THAT I DARE NOT SAY IT
AFTER I FOUND OUT THAT I HAVE FALLEN IN LOVE
I BECAME MORE AND MORE COW-ARDLY
YOU...
SURE YOU WANT TO COME ALONG?

THE CHARACTERISTICS OF VAMPIRES ... THEY TURN AGGRESSIVE BECAUSE OF THE INSTINCT TO FIGHT.

MAYBE HUMANS WILL FIND IT ODD, BUT IT'S A NATURAL THING FOR VAMPIRES.

HAVEN'T I SAID BEFORE THAT YOU LOSE YOUR TEMPER AND DESTROY THINGS EASILY WHEN YOU CHANGE INTO A VAMPIRE?
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?!
oh...
This...
This is a little...
Idiot

I'M SORRY!
I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO BE SCARED SO I DIDN'T SAY SO
I THOUGHT YOU WOULD TELL ME EVERYTHING... AFTER THAT ONE TIME
DO YOU REALLY HAVE NOTHING YOU WANT?
HUH?
BECAUSE TODAY WHITE DAY
"ANYTHING IS FINE" MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO CHOOSE
IT'S SO RARE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO THE OTHER SIDE, AREN'T YOU CHOOSING ANYTHING?
There could be rare and fun items...
YOU... YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY YOURSELF OVER SUCH THINGS
I'LL BE HAPPY AS LONG AS YOU'RE THE ONE GIVING IT!
IT'S SO OBVIOUS THAT I LIKE HIM

BUT WHY DO I ALWAYS FIND OUT ABOUT HIKATO FROM OTHER PEOPLE?
NEVER-MIND!
I DON'T WANT ANY RETURN GIFTS FOR THE CHOCOLATES!
WHAT?!
WHY SO SUDDEN?!
I DON'T KNOW!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU DON'T KNOW?
Sorry for the wait.
Let's go!
...WOW.
WHAT HAPPENED?

WHAT ARE YOU ANGRY AT?
I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND YOU.
Hang on there.
Hurry up and get home to rest. I'm over the moon.
THE CAVE THAT LEADS TO THE OTHER-SIDE,
IT FEELS SO BIG NOW THAT I'M IN HERE...
I feel as if I'm just lost if I walk far away from them.
WHAT KIND OF WORLD DOES THE ONES OF DARKNESS LIVE IN?
It's me coming more and more scary.
WE'VE REACHED THE EXIT!

WAH... THE WORLD OF THE DARK IS ACTUALLY SO BEAUTIFUL..!?
IT'S NOT DARK AT ALL!
IT'S ORIGINAL NAME IS NOT "LAND OF DARKNESS" BUT "THE RESTING PLACE"!
SOMEBODY WRONGLY PASSED ON THE WRONG MESSAGE

RESTING ... RESTING PLACE ...?
Isn't it supposed to be some kind of a place like that?
AH HA HA!
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU CAN SEE THE SPIRITS HERE EASILY.
SO IT'S SOMETIMES MISTAKEN AS THE WORLD OF THE DEAD!
THEY LIVE NORMALLY
IT'S DIFFICULT TO THINK THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF DEMONS HERE
Even though the thing we're sitting on looks a little like a demon.
THEY'RE NORMALLY UNDERGROUND AND WON'T COME OUT
BECAUSE THE TOP IS THE TERRITORY OF THE MOON GHOST TRIBE

LOOK, THAT'S THE CASTLE!
YES, THE MOON GHOST TRIBE IS THE LARGEST HERE!
MOON GHOST TRIBE IS THE TRIBE OF TENGA RIGHT?
THE VAMPIRES HERE SURVIVE ON THEIR BLOOD.
THAT MEANS WITHOUT HUMANS, VAMPIRES CAN STILL SURVIVE...
SHE'S THE QUEEN, TSUTA-HIME!
you really came! how rare
IT'S BEEN SO LONG, HIKATO.

YOU MUST BE ASAHI-CHAN! NICE TO MEET YOU.
PLEASE TAKE A SEAT HERE
There should be a chair
I'M SORRY,
I ACCIDENTALLY KNOCKED OVER A FEW BOOKS AND NOW THEY'RE SCATTERED ACROSS THE FLOOR
YOU MUST HAVE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE MORE MAGNIFICENT RIGHT?
BUT THE QUEEN DISLIKES THAT
IT'S NO USE EVEN IF
YOU DON'T LIKE IT...
I do wear the crown sometimes though
sensible
UMM... I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING RARE, BUT I WANT TO RETURN IT TO YOU.
WHY? YOU DON'T LIKE IT?
IT'S NOT THAT... I BECAME A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER WILLINGLY.
THIS GIFT IS TOO MUCH FOR ME...
.....
IS SHE UMM ANGRY?
Transcendence

OKAY,
I UNDERSTAND, I'M SORRY FOR HAVING TO CAUSE YOU A BURDEN

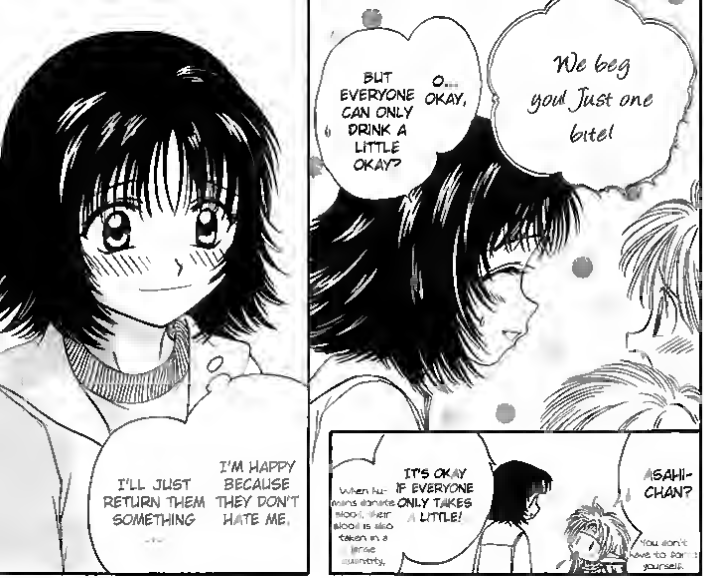
TALK?
ASAHI-CHAN, CAN YOU TAKE A TOUR AROUND THE CASTLE?
Hanpo will be your guide
NOW I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A TALK WITH HIKATO

WE'LL STAY OVER NIGHT HERE,
THIS WAY WE CAN VISIT THE CITY BELOW THE HILL.
In other words...
HUMANS ARE STILL HATED HERE...

YOU CANNOT TELL ANY-ONE THAT YOU'RE HUMAN HERE.
BECAUSE HUMANS ARE VERY VERY RARE HERE, IT WOULD CAUSE A LARGE COMMO-TION.
OKAY
Let's go

?
VAMPIRE KID?
SHE'S SO CUTE
BIG SISTER
BIG SISTER, IS HUMAN RIGHT?
YOU ARE A HUMAN RIGHT?
You bear ill-torment from the Moon dwarfs.
THE WHOLE CASTLE WAS TALKING ABOUT HARI-CHAN YOU HERE TODAY.
How can it be?! nobody should know ...!
I'VE BEEN FOUND OUT IN SUCH A SHORT WHILE?!

... YA, YOU CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE! YOU LOOK THE SAME AS VAMPIRES.
IT SEEMS
THAT I'M NOT HATED?
IS IT BECAUSE THEY'RE CHILDERN SO THEY DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE PAST?
I want to know what flavour it is
CAN I DRINK YOUR BLOOD?
HUH
I FORBID ANYONE OTHER THAN HIKATO FROM KISSING(?) MY NECK..
No matter what
BUT NOT ON THE NECK, YOU HAVE TO SUCK BLOOD FROM HERE.
Like the hand or the wrist
REALLY?
OKAY
I WANT TO DRINK THE BLOOD TOO!
Me too!
ME TOO!
I WANT IT ALSO!
No!
YOU CAN'T!
SHINING ?
What kind of taste is that?
Oh
It's really different! It's shining!
SIP
WELL?


We beg you! Just one bite!
O... OKAY.
BUT EVERYONE CAN ONLY DRINK A LITTLE OKAY?
I'M HAPPY BECAUSE THEY DON'T HATE ME.
I'LL JUST RETURN THEM SOMETHING
IT'S OKAY IF EVERYONE ONLY TAKES A LITTLE!
When humans donate blood, their blood is also taken in a large quantity.
ASAHI-CHAN?
You don't have to force yourself.

... I HAVE SOMETHING TO ASK OF YOU.
BUT I'M SHORT ON HANDS TOO.
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOUR FEELINGS.
HUH?
YOU'RE SO STUBBORN, HIKATO.

HEY
WAIT A MINUTE
AREN'T THERE A LITTLE TOO MUCH PEOPLE?
even the adults
SFX: POOF
STOP!
Wah?!
ST...STOP! THE DONATION OF BLOOD STOPS HERE!
Eh
WHAT'S THIS! I QUELIED UP FOR A LONG TIME!
HOW SLY!
THIS
THIS WON'T WORK!
AH!
cough
cough
cough
cough

THEY RAN AWAY!
LET ME REST A BIT...
W... WAIT,
WE'RE STILL VISIBLE! QUICKLY GO IN.
?
Stop!
Catch them!
Wah
There's no need to use the power of blood to chase us!
FOUND HER! OVER THERE!

A DEAD END!
WAH! IT'S CLOSE!
THEY'RE C-COMING
DON'T... DON'T BE SO UNREASON-ABLE ...
SFX: ROAR
Yah
HI...
HIKATO ...!!
SAVE ME ...!!
GRAB

SFX: BANG
...DO ALL OF YOU PLAN TO SUCK MY SUBSTITUTE MOTHER DRY?

HIKATO
DRAGON... THE PRINCE THAT USES THE DRAGON'S BLOOD?
MURMUR
SO HE'S THE QUEEN'S COUSIN.
WASN'T HE MISSING?
NO I HEARD THAT WAS AT THE BOUNDARY
HE'S STILL ALIVE HUH
SHE'S THE QUEEN'S GUEST,
DON'T SCARE HER.
SORRY.
WHAT? A GUEST!
TO TREAT THE BETRAYERS' DESCENDANT AS SUCH?
THAT IS TOO FOOLISH, PRINCE!
ALL OF YOU TOO, DRINKING A HUMAN'S BLOOD,
HOW DIRTY ...

I WON'T LET YOU INSULT HER.
OLD MAN,
WHO... WHO WOULD WANT TO APOLOGIZE ...!
IF YOU DON'T APOLOGIZE. I'LL TAKE IT AS YOU ARE CHALLENGING ME...!
APOLO-GISE!
HIKATO, DON'T...!
DON'T!
MISTER,
IT'S BE-CAUSE YOU WERE BEING TREATED THE SAME WAY BY THE HUMANS A LONG TIME AGO RIGHT?
I KNOW WHY YOU HATE ME!

... I'LL TURN INTO A VAMPIRE WHENEVER I'M ANGRY.
LIKE WHEN I'M NOT BEING UNDERSTOOD BY OTHER PEOPLE,
OR WHEN I'M ANGRY ... AT MY HELPLESSNESS.
PLEASE DON'T CRITISISE HIKATO BECAUSE OF THIS...
PLEASE DON'T BLAME THOSE WHO DRANK MY BLOOD...!
EH?
VAMPIRE...?
IT WAS TO BECOME STRONGER.
.. VAMPIRES BECAME STRONGER TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE,
BUT WERE REJECTED BY THE HUMANS THEY WANTED TO PROTECT.
THAT'S TOO MUCH!
AND YET HUMANS FORGOT WHAT THEY DID, AND ALMOST NO ONE KNOWS OF THE PAST.
BUT IT'S GOOD THAT I KNOW OF THIS

EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT SOME-THING I DID,
IT HURTS ME SO MUCH THAT I WANT TO APOLO-GISE
I'M SORRY
... AND,
THANK YOU
FOR PRO-TECTING US IN THE PAST
... NO

.....
IT'S ALL TOO LATE ...!
SHE CAN HANDLE IT FINE SINGLE-HANDEDLY!
... EH
I WAS CURIOUS. THAT'S WHY I CHASED YOU...
I EVEN THOUGH I KNOW THE HISTORY
.. DON'T MIND THE THE PAST?
It wasn't because I hated you A
BIG SISTER
YOUR BLOOD WAS VERY TASTY, SO DON'T CRY.

HUMANS ARE RARE HERE IT WOULD BE A PITY IF EVERYONE DOESN'T TAKE A LOOK AT HER
If she really couldn't handle it, I would appear and stop the situation from worsening.
so am I
EH?! THE QUEEN ALSO HAS THAT INFORMATION?!
SHE'S QUITE STRONG!
. IS IT A LITTLE OVER THE TOP TO SAY THAT?
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'RE ALSO AFRAID OF BEING HURT.
I HAVE NEVER BEEN IN GOOD RELATIONSHIPS WITH HUMANS
EVERY TIME I OPEN MY HEART TO THEM, THINGS HAPPEN THAT MAKE ME REGRET IT
UNKNOWINGLY, I BECAME COWARDLY...
I ALSO BECAME COWARDLY.
ACTUALLY, I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY
IT'S JUST AN EXCUSE

HIKATO DOESN'T WANT ME TO BE INFLUENCED BY HIS LONELINESS AND ANGER,
I CAN'T TELL HIM EVEN THOUGH I UNDERSTAND
... THE QUEEN WISHES
THAT I RETURN TO THIS PLACE.
SHE SAID THAT LONG TIME AGO,
BUT I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE THE PLACE I AM NOW.
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT TO COME BACK,
IT'S JUST THAT... I HAVE A LOT OF THINGS TO THINK ABOUT
AH. .
THAT'S RIGHT!
THIS IS A GIFT FOR WHITE DAY
AH ..
YOU HAVE TO ACCEPT THIS.
IT'S A LONG STORY,
I'LL TELL YOU SLOWLY,
ARE YOU WILLING TO LISTEN?
... YES.

Tarte-tatin! I was right after! Tarte-tatin! I was right after!
THIS IS A TYPE OF DESSERT, ROASTED SWEETS FOUND IN A PLACE CALLED PA NAN
IT MAY NOT LOOK THE SAME...
SO PLEASE FORGIVE A BEGINNER LIKE ME!
THIS WAS SOMETHING THE QUEEN TAUGHT ME TO DO JUST NOW.
It came out successful!
SWEETS?
no wonder I smelled a very sweet-no smell just now...
IT TASTES SWEET AND NICE
I THOUGHT FOR A LONG TIME ON THE PRESENT BUT I DECIDED ON MAKING IT MYSELF BECAUSE I WAS NOT JUST HAPPY THAT YOU GAVE CHOCOLATES FOR VALENTINES, BUT ALSO THAT YOU MADE THEM YOURSELF.
THAT'S WHY I FOLLOWED YOU.
Try one to see
crunch
REALLY?
THAT'S GREAT! THE FAILED PRODUCTS ARE STACKED LIKE A MOUNTAIN, EVEN MY CLOTHES WERE BURNT!
WAS THAT WHY YOU CHANGED CLOTHES? ARE YOU OKAY?
Did you hurt yourself?
I FEEL SO ELATED.
IT'S OKAY, I WAS SO HAPPY MAKING THE GIFT.

JUST LIKE ME.
I WAS VERY ELATED WHILE MAKING THE SWEETS.
JUST LIKE THIS.
THE TWO OF US FELT THE SAME EMOTIONS!
MY FEELINGS WERE REALLY PASSING TO HIM
THANK YOU
THIS IS THE BEST GIFT THAT I RECIVED

I'M SO HAPPY THAT I MET YOU.
I THINK THAT THE REASON I STAYED THERE WAS TO MEET YOU.
.. YOU REALLY
DON'T LOOK AT ME IN A DIFFERENT WAY,
TREATING ME AS YOUR FRIEND.

HIKATO
ASAHI,
I WON'T HESITATE ANYMORE.
I WANT YOU, I WANT TO SEDUCE YOU.
SO YOU BETTER WAKE UP!
... THE BARRIER IS DESTROYED,
LOOKING AT HIKATO'S SMILE,
"AH! IT'S STARTING!
BUT COULD IT BE THAT SOMETHING BIG HAS STARTED?"
I THOUGHT WHILE SMILING HAPPILY
SEDUCE MEANS SEDUCE!
b-but when you said Sed ucer...!
Let's go home!
what the world

吸血
小情人
Transcendence

③I cannot stop drawing small-sized characters. This is the resting place of the naturally bright Hanpo. This deamon is serving the vampires, this... could it be because he drank Tsuta-hunes blood and thus becamming her servant ? Although he is just a puny servant he is surprisingly useful in dealing with diplomatic foreign affairs. But his original job seems to be a seamstress.

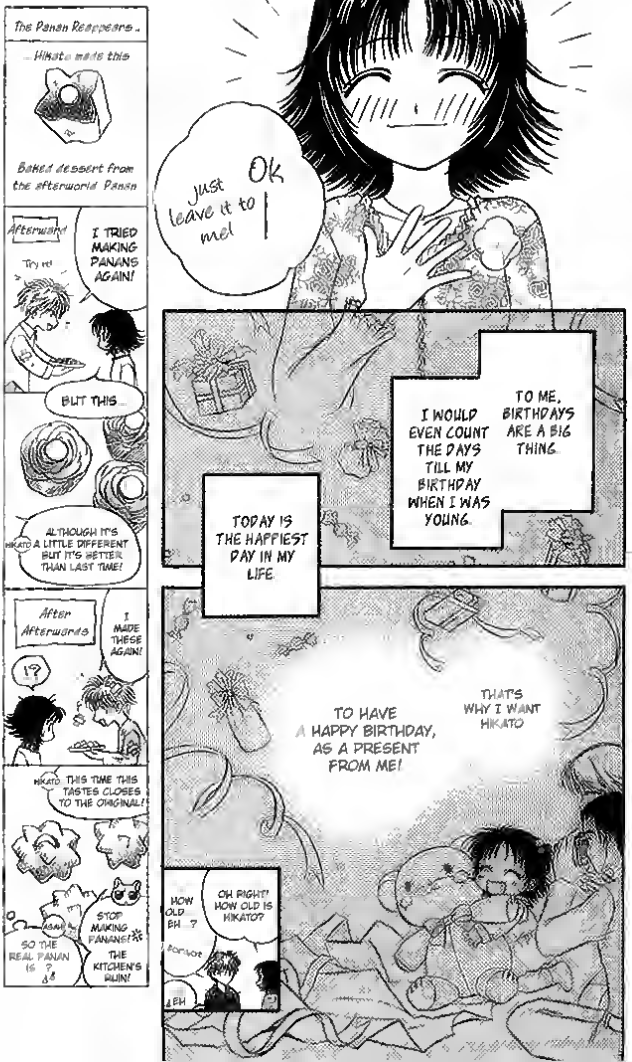
Although usually seamstresses are females...

It should be good for the boss to have the part-timers suited over!
It's kinda small, but I shouldn't the big one wouldn't fit you.
IT SEEMS TO BE CALLED PINK ELECTRIC STONE
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL PINK STONE!
WAH! IT'S SO CUTE!
TRY IT ON
What a cute necklace...
HERE LET ME
IS THAT SO?
Ah
You're right
YOU SHOULD PUT IT ON FOR HER AT TIMES LIKE THESE
YEP,
DONE.
IT'S NICE!
R... REALLY?
I'M REALLY HAPPY...
thanks

THAT'S RIGHT, IT HAS ALMOST BEEN ONE YEAR SINCE MEETING HIKATO.
Yuri's cake is ruined anyways...
It cut the cake.
I ACTUALLY WANTED TO MAKE THE CAKE MYSELF BUT WAS STOPPED BY YULIRI—
THAT'S BECAUSE WHENEVER HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS GOES NEAR A STOVE FIRE COMES OUT OF IT!
UMM... WHEN IS HIKATO'S BIRTHDAY...?
Ah, I've cut in a terrible line.
COULD IT BE THAT I HAVE NO TALENT—
TALENT HUH... YOU'RE HOPELESS WITH ANYTHING RELATED TO THE KITCHEN...
THAT'S BECAUSE VAMPIRES DON'T USUALLY CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS.
THEN WE HAD ALREADY MET WHEN IT WAS YOUR BIRTHDAY LAST YEAR, YET I DIDN'T CELEBRATE FOR YOU!...
EH? OH, OH! THE 21ST OF NEXT MONTH!
Eh, It's quite soon!

PURE-BLOOD VAMPIRES' STRENGTH WILL DETERIORATE AROUND THE 15TH AND THEY WILL RECOVER AFTER THEIR BIRTHDAY IS OVER.
They'll recover after the 15th.
... THAT'S WHY THEY CAN ONLY STAY AT HOME ON THEIR BIRTHDAY.
I have to be extremely careful so as to avoid coming down with even a cold...
EH...?
BECAUSE THE VAMPIRE'S BODY IS THE WEAKEST ON THE DAY IT WAS BORN.
THERE'S NOTHING TO CONGRATULATE ABOUT ANYWAY.
Take care of yourself too, Yuuri.
That's so brutal.
HOW COULD THIS BE...
WHY WOULD ONE'S BODY BECOME SO WEAK ON THE DAY ONE WAS BORN?
BUT VAMPIRES LIKE MARIERU AND I, HAVE TO BE EXTRA CAREFUL ON OUR BIRTHDAYS.
YUURI AND NUO WERE ORIGINALLY HUMAN. THAT'S WHY THEY'RE NOT AFFECTED
NOPE, WE'LL BE FINE AS LONG AS WE DON'T FIGHT IT.
... WHEN ONE'S HEALTH DETERIORATE THE BODY WOULD FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE RIGHT? LIKE STARTING TO HAVE A FEVER.
NO IDEA, IT WAS LIKE THIS FROM THE BEGINNING SO WE DON'T FIND IT ODD ANYMORE!
THIS IS JUST
There are also some who would celebrate their birthdays after they have recovered.

Celebrate, Celebrate! A birthday party!
Ta-Y.
IS THAT SO?
THEN WE'LL CELEBRATE I GUESS
IF HIKATO HAD NOT BEEN BORN ON THAT DAY, WE WOULD NOT HAVE MET!
I WANT TO CELEBRATE HIKATO'S BIRTHDAY!
THEN WE'LL CELEBRATE!
OK!
I ONLY WANT YOU TO COME.
I'LL TRY TO ASK THEM
Excuse me
IT'S PROBABLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE QUEEN TO COME. WHAT ABOUT HARI-CHAN?
IS IT OK TO NOT INVITE MARIELI AND TENGA?
Hmm
LET'S INVITE MIZUHA
I'LL HELP YOU!
THEN I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU!
ESPECIALLY MIZUHA, SHE'LL PROBABLY BE VERY DISAPPOINTED IF SHE IS NOT INVITED
She mustn't leave out last time if she knows of it afterwards
EVEN THOUGH I'M HAPPY AFTER HEARING THAT
but
IT WOULD BE BETTER IF THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE FOR SUCH A RATE OCCASION


The Panan Reappears..
...Hikato made this
Baked dessert from the afterworld Panan
Afterworld
I TRIED MAKING PANANS AGAIN!
Try it!
BUT THIS...
HIKATO
ALTHOUGH IT'S A LITTLE DIFFERENT BUT IT'S BETTER THAN LAST TIME!
After Afterworld
I MADE THESE AGAIN!
!?
HIKATO
THIS TIME THIS TASTES CLOSES TO THE ORIGINAL!
STOP MAKING PANANE!?
THE KITCHEN'S RUIN!
AGAIN
SO THE REAL PANAN IS ?
Just leave it to me!
Ok
TODAY IS THE HAPPIEST DAY IN MY LIFE
I WOULD EVEN COUNT THE DAYS TILL MY BIRTHDAY WHEN I WAS YOUNG.
TO ME, BIRTHDAYS ARE A BIG THING.
TO HAVE A HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AS A PRESENT FROM ME!
THAT'S WHY I WANT HIKATO
OH RIGHT! HOW OLD IS HIKATO?
HOW OLD EH ..?
EH

BIRTHDAY PARTY?
YEP!
EVEN THOUGH I TRULY WISH TO GO, I HAVE A RITUAL TO PREFORM.
EH ?
AH, AH!
THE SHRINE'S CEREMONY?
I forgot.
IF THAT'S FINE WITH YOU..
EVEN IF I COULD GO, I PROBABLY ONLY POP BY FOR A WHILE AFTER THE CERE-MONY
BEING A MIKO THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT MUST BE DONE
IT'S FINE!
I'LL SAVE YOU A SHARE OF THE CAKE!
IT'S BAD IF THERE'S ONLY THE TWO OF THEM..
WHAT
HE CAN'T, BROTHER'S THERE RIGHT NOW
BY THE WAY, WHERE'S HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS ?
HUH? HE JUST WENT OVER TO THE BAR-RIER
I'LL COME BACK LATER
There's no time to waste!
Blind Alley
WAIT WAIT A MOMENT
Don't go

Mysterious Principle 2
I FORGOT
HOW OLD ARE YOU?
HEY!
I'M OLDER
ARE YOU OLDER OR YOUNGER THAN NUU?
WHY DID YOU BECOME HIKATO'S SERVANT?
IT JUST HAPPENED NATURALLY
I DON'T USE THAT NAME ANYMORE
YOU'RE CHINESE! SO WHAT'S YOUR CHINESE NAME?
Nuu was a name given by Hikato
BAT.
WHAT KIND OF BACKGROUND DO YOU COME FROM?
Look study
WHY DON'T YOU JUST ASK HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS
YOU DON'T WISH TO TELL ME?
You don't even know
HIKATO'S ANSWERS ARE SUSPICIOUS!
I WANT TO HEAR IT FROM YOU
WE'LL TALK AGAIN WHEN YOU'VE BECOME ONE OF US
Ah! He's figure out!
HIKATO...!
WAIT..
NO,
You guys are using a weird barrier again ...!
IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK

EH?
THIS IS THE PREPERATION FOR THE CEREMONY EVERY YEAR.
IT'S OK. THIS FUNCTIONS THE SAME WAY AS HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS' BARRIER.
THIS IS... OUR SHRINE'S BARRIER, FOR SEALING DEMONS.
BECAUSE FATHER DOES NOT HAVE SUCH POWER,
AFTER DECIDING ON THE TARGET WE WILL GATHER A LARGE GROUP OF PEOPLE FOR THE RITUAL SO AS TO
TRANSFORM THEIR ENERGY TO FUEL THE SEAL'S STRENGTH
WE HAD TO RELY ON HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS AFTER THE DEATH OF OUR MOTHER
...I SEE...
FROM THIS YEAR ONWARD WE HAVE THE POWER AS WELL,
THAT'S WHY WE WENT OVERSEAS TO STUDY!

... YOU TRULY KEPT YOUR PROMISE AND CAME BACK WITH POWER.
THAT'S RIGHT, IT'S ENOUGH? WITH ME HERE THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOUR STRENGTH ANYMORE
SO QUICKLY DISAPPEAR INTO THE OTHER END OF THE CAVE!
... I HAVE MY OWN PLANS
... DO YOU STILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE HERE?
THE RACE THAT WAS CURSED TO LOSE THEIR POWERS ON THE DAY THEY WERE BORN...!
BROTHER! DON'T SAY ANYMORE ...!
THAT'S RIGHT.
I HAD ONLY THOUGHT OF IT NOW.
Transcendence

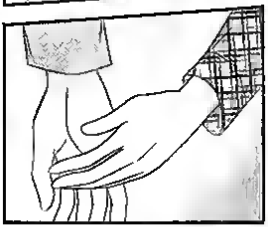
IT IS AS THOUGH YOUR BIRTH IS A MISFORTUNE
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF IT'S A CURSE.
... I'M SORRY FOR WRECKING THE SHRINE PREVIOUSLY...
THE DAY WAS SUPPOSE TO BE A HAPPY OCCASION,
BUT, IT ISN'T LIKE THAT AT ALL
EVEN THOUGHT I DON'T WANT TO THINK OF IT THIS WAY
BUT I WON'T APOLOGIZE FOR FIGHTING YOU FOR INSULTING ASAHI!
I'M SURE TO YOU AND MIZUHA THAT PLACE IS FULL OF MEMORIES
.....
... I DON'T WANT YOU APOLOGY ANYWAYS

I ONLY JUST
HUH...?
HIS EXPRESSION
...JUST WON'T CALL ME
"NII-CHAN" ANYMORE?
Don't get ahead of yourself! I'll fulfill your death wish if you want!
Shit...
run! run!
where did everyone come from
BRO, STOP!

YUP
THAT'S RIGHT!
SEIRYUU ...
USED TO CALL YOU "NII-CHAN" IN THE PAST?
I'LL LET HIM TAKE OVER THIS YEAR'S CEREMONY
SIGH.
FORGET IT,
BECAUSE SEIRYUU'S MOTHER WAS MY SUBSTITUTE MOTHER BEFORE YOU.
AT THE TIME, OUR RELATIONSHIP WAS LIKE THAT OF BROTHERS.
he was still young.
IS THAT SO
which means
THE TWO OF YOU WERE CLOSE THEN?
YES
... BUT WHEN HIS MOTHER'S LIFE WAS IN DANGER AFTER AN ACCIDENT
AND I DID NOT SAVE HER,
HE COULDN'T FORGIVE ME
... YOU DID NOT SAVE HER

IF I HAD TO TURN HER INTO A VAMPIRE BECOMING MY COMPANION SHE WOULDN'T HAVE DIED
BUT I COULDN'T DO THAT,
BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T WANT TO BECOME A VAMPIRE, SO I
IT'S NO WONDER HE HATES ME
MIZUHA WAS STILL VERY YOUNG AT THE TIME SO SHE DOESN'T REMEMBER AT ALL.

IS THAT SO



HIKATO SEEMS TO HAVE SO MANY SECRETS STILL!
I TOTALLY CANNOT IMAGINE
...HAVING LIVED FOR SO LONG,
THERE MUST HAVE BEEN MANY UNHAPPY MOMENTS
BUT, I WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING CONCERNING YOU.
...EVEN THOUGH I WISH TO KNOW,
EVEN IF IT'S UNHAPPY MOMENTS
BUT YOU DON'T NEED TO FORCE YOURSELF TO TELL ME
SO FOR THINGS THAT YOU CAN'T SEEM TO SAY OUT NOW
JUST SLOWLY
TELL ME ABOUT THEM BIT BY BIT
I'LL ALWAYS WAIT FOR YOU

ASAHI
I...
AH
I SHRANK
THE BODY'S STRENGTH WILL STILL DETERIORATE AS THE BIRTH DATE DRAWS NEAR!
I THOUGHT I HAD SOME POWERS LEFT,
Even though I knew this would happen soon

DRINK MY BLOOD
HUH?
ISN'T YOUR BODY GROWING WEAKER?
YOU WOULD NEED MORE BLOOD THAN USUAL RIGHT?
YES.
THANK YOU.
Done
... YOU GREW UP AGAIN?
BUT WON'T THE ENERGY USAGE BE LARGER LIKE THIS?
But
I WISH TO RETAIN MY ORIGINAL FORM IN FRONT OF YOU.
ACTUALLY, I'M NOT THAT UNFORTUNATE RIGHT?

OK,
I'M SORRY
STOP WORRYING ABOUT ME SO MUCH ALRIGHT?
HAVING LIVED FOR SO LONG, THERE ARE SO MANY HAPPY MOMENTS LIKE RIGHT NOW!
I SHOULDN'T THINK THAT YOU'RE UNFORTUNATE
AS FOR THE WORD "CURSE", LET'S JUST LAUGH IT OFF...

I DON'T NEED HIS LOVE! I DON'T SAY ANYMORE!
BIG BROTHER I'M SO JEALOUS THAT YOU RECIEVED HIS HIGHNESS LOVE
MIZUHA SURE IS GREAT,
TO PUT HER SHRINE DUTIES AS FIRST PRIORITY.
SHE'S DOING HER JOB SERIOUSLY.
I'll be working the whole day, but I'll make some time to attend the party.
PROTECTING THE BARRIER IS THE SHRINE'S DUTY,
I'LL DO MY BEST EVEN THOUGH I'M NOT A SURSTITUTE MOTHER.
THE MIZUHA WHO SAID THAT
DID IT NOT JUST FOR THE SHRINE OR THIS WORLD,
BUT FOR HIKARI'S SAKE THAT SHE STUDIED UNTIL NOW
HOW AMAZING

BUT,
WHAT CAN I DO IF I'M NOT THE SUBSTITUTE MOTHER?
SEIRYUU,
PROBABLY DOESN'T REALLY HATE HIKATO,
HE ASKED HIKATO TO NOT OVER EXERT HIMSELF WHEN HE WAS AT HIS WEAKEST
MOREOVER, I BECAME A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER BECAUSE MY BLOOD IS COMPATIBLE,
KNOCK KNOCK
ASAHI,
I HEARD MARIEU, HER HIGHNESS WILL BE COMING TOO!
Even though the queen still couldn't make it
.....
IS THAT SO?
AND NOT THROUGH HARD WORK
THAT'S GREAT!

THAT'S RIGHT
WHAT I CAN DO IS ORGANIZE A HAPPY BIRTHDAY PARTY
LET'S DO OUR BEST, YUURI!
?
YES.
shakes hand
I WANT TO CREATE HAPPY MEMORIES,
And is the weather's good! We'll hold a garden party
Let's hold the party at Hikaru's house since his garden is always so pretty!
That's good.
AND LET THEM BE ETCHED IN HIKATO'S HEART
Since Hikaru likes sweet stuff we'll have this dessert then!
What would the cake be like?
save as a present
Hmm... what should I
WEATHER OK!

TABLE OK!
GARDEN OK!
Yeah!
small
I'M SO HAPPY THAT YOU GUYS COULD COME!
WE DIDN'T COME BECAUSE OF YOU
Welcome
UP NEXT
THE MAIN CHARACTER ENTERS!
← was shut in a room before the preparations finished

Then let's start!
"THE REASON" TO SHRINKING WAS PROBABLY TO AVOID MARIERU'S HARASSMENT
hinge
I DON'T WANT TO OVER-EXHERT SO...
YEP,
YOU SHRANK TODAY?
somehow this feels kinda weird...
Hu...
How disappointing...
Shh
YOU CAN ONLY BLOW OUT THE CANDLES AFTER EVERYONE HAS SUNG THE BIRTHDAY SONG TOGETHER!
NO YOU REMEMBERED!
can't be bothered
IT'S OKAY IT'S NOT DIRTIED OR ANY THING
YOU CAN CHANGE ITS STYLE AND COLOUR!
DOESN'T HIS HIGHNESS WANT TO BE MORE FASHIONABLE? THESE ARE THE CLOTHES I SPECIALLY MADE FOR YOU RIGHT!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
I WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY HIKATO!

THERE'S NOTHING REALLY UNFORTUNATE
THIS IS MY BIRTHDAY PRESENT TO YOU
THERE ARE STILL SO MANY PEOPLE WHO CARE FOR YOU
REALLY
WHAT IS THIS ...
SFX: SWOOSH
THIS IS
MARIEL! ...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...
HIKATO...!?
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS THAT I'M TAKING HIM BACK!
TENGA, I'LL LEAVE THE REST TO YOU ...
... YOU CAN ONLY CRY?
EH...?

MY ONLY CHANCE IS TODAY
?
I THOUGHT SHE WOULD THROW HER TEMPER...
HEY... SHE SEEMS VERY PITIFUL...
hey
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT! WE ARE.
IDIOT.
good grief
THE ONE WHO'S PITIFUL ISN'T ME...
EVEN THOUGH I HAD REALLY SUSPECTED YOU TWO
BUT... ON THIS OCCASION
YOU TWO STILL
カリーッ!
Unforgivable...!
WHOA!
but I'm sorry it ended... relieved.
SPK: OUT: FIRST

CRACK
I TEMPORARILY SET THIS BARRIER UP TO PREVENT YOU GUYS FROM LEAVING.
ALTHOUGH I DON'T HATE YOU,
BUT THIS IS TO AVOID BEING KILLED BY MARIEU!
YOU...
SFX: SHOCK
がぁん
What are you doing!
You only know how to obey Marieu, and listen to her for the rest of your life,
Even so, she'll never look at you, not even once ——!!

SFX: BREAK
Fly
IS...
IS IT TRULY...
SO
!?
Transcendence
RIGHT, HIKATO...!! WHERE IS HE?
IF THEY WANT TO GO BACK THE SHRINE'S BARRIER IS THE FASTEST WAY
BUT TODAY
...
HE... HE DISAPPEARED!
Lady shouted
IT SEEMS THAT HE CAN'T TAKE THE BLOW
How to say it?
MUST HAVE HIT RIGHT ON THE SPOT!
Yakisoba

IGNORE
WE'LL EAT YOU FIRST ...!!
GO OVER
LET US GO OVER ...!
JUST GIVE IT UP....
I'M SORRY, LET ME PASS.
SFX: CRACKLE

YOU'RE A VAMPIRE RIGHT?
LET US GO OVER!
HEH...
EH!
THE DEMON TRIBE THAT EMPHASISE SO MUCH ON PERSONAL STRENGTH IS HELPING EACH OTHER NOW?
ARE HUMANS THAT NICE TO EAT?
SFX: CHOMP

WHO ARE YOU ...!
I'm sorry
UNFORTUNATELY THIS BARRIER ISN'T UNDER MY CONTROL
GO AND THINK OF SOME IDEAS YOURSELF!
HIKATO WILL NOT FORGIVE ME,
IF I TAKE HIM HOME LIKE THIS
YOUNG PRIESTS
I'M NOT HERE TO EAT HUMANS,
ARG
BUT THIS IS FOR THE SAKE OF HIKATO...

SFX: FALLS
YOU CANNOT
TAKE HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS TO THE AFTER-WORLD!
I CAN'T MOVE.!
SFX: LODGE
I'VE ALREADY SEALED THE MOVEMENT OF THAT VAMPIRE
YOU CANNOT TRUST ANY OTHER VAMPIRES
¡MIZUHA!
?!
SWOOSH
¡HIKA...!
¡HUH?
what's that supposed to mean?
my I LIKE MIZUHA
YOU'RE SUCH A POOR THING HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS.
TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY TOO...
Sweet
Sweet it turned out like this.

TSUITA- THE QUEEN.....?!
WAIT... WAIT A MINUTE!
HARIPO- CHAN.....!
HARIPO- CHAN?
I'M SORRY, THIS IS THE TSUITA HIME- SAMA'S ORDER
THE QUEEN...
THAT SMALL BOTTLE DID INDEED LOOK LIKE SOME- THING BELONGING TO THE QUEEN
THAT'S RIGHT! THE QUEEN HAS FINALLY DECIDED TO BE SERIOUS!
HOW COULD IT BE
EVEN THE QUEEN WANTS TO BRING HIKARU BACK
WAHH- HHHH!

WAIL
WAIL
WAIL
WAIL
TSUTA HIME-SAMA
HE'S CRYING SO LOUDLY
BARS MY EARS
...HIKATO...!
WAH!
OK OK OK!
SHHH, BE GOOD
You're loud
AH AH,
YOU FINALLY CAME!
EH
Ha! Ha!

IF NOT I WOULD HAVE ALREADY GONE BACK THROUGH THE HOLE BELOW
I WANTED TO EXPLAIN TO YOU WHY I SUDDELY WANTED TO BRING HIM BACK SO I WAS WAITING FOR YOU HERE
WHY?
EVEN YOU
... I ONLY CAME BECAUSE IT IS HIS BIRTHDAY.
WHY WON'T YOU CONGRATULATE HIM?
JUST LIKE THIS
IF YOU CARE FOR HIKATO,
YOU SHOULD BE CELEBRATING HIS BIRTHDAY LIKE OTHERS
TAKING HIKATO HOME

SFX: WHOOSH
HOW MEAN TO RUN OFF BY HERSELF!
AND SHE STILL MINDS THAT I'M SLOW.
AH.. ?!
YOU ARE ...
SQUEEZE
I'M FROM THE MOON DEMON TRIBE SO THE TRICKS YOU USE AGAINST VAMPIRES WON'T WORK AGAINST ME.
CONTRACT
AH... WHAT IN THE...
THEN I'LL LET YOU TAKE CARE OF HER!
I'M REALLY BEING ORDERED AROUND...

BECAUSE
HIKATO IS NOW VERY WEAK
A SMALL BOTTLE COULD TURN HIM INTO AN INFANT
THAT'S BECAUSE HE IS OVER-RELYING ON YOU HUMAN SUBSTITUTE MOTHERS
EVEN IF HIKATO COULD RELY ON SUBSTITUTE MOTHERS TO RECOVER,
HE WOULD GRADUALLY BECOME WEAKER THAN HE ORIGINALLY WAS.
SUBSTITUTE MOTHERS CANNOT HAVE SOMETHING AGAINST US
IT WOULD BE BEST IF SHE HAS EXPERIENCE OF REARING A CHILD
YOU BELONG TO THE RACE THAT FELL OUT WITH US, YOU'RE YOUNG... AND YOU HAVE NO CHILD
I'M
THAT'S WHY I'M TAKING HIKATO BACK TO LET THE FEMALES OF THE MOON DEMON TRIBE WHO HAS ALREADY LIVED WITH US TO TAKE OVER THE ROLE OF HIS SUBSTITUTE MOTHER.
HE IS MY ONLY RELATIVE,
I MUST LET HIM RECOVER.
NOT GOOD ENOUGH...?

B...
BUT...
HIKATO'S
FOR HIKATO,
DO YOU KNOW THAT THIS IS FOR HIKATO'S SAKE?
AH...
WILFUL
WHY ARE YOU SO WILFUL?!
DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND?!
I'M AFRAID THAT HIKATO WILL NOT NEED ME ANYMORE.
THAT'S RIGHT.
I DON'T AGREE...!
NO...
BUT...
NO
WE'LL BE ABLE TO MEET AGAIN
THIS WAY,
WE CAN'T MEET AGAIN
I'LL ALLOW YOU TO MEET HIKATO IN THE AFTERWORLD OK?
EVEN THOUGH YOU WILL NO LONGER BE THE SUBSTITUTE MOTHER.

I
FOR HIKATO
TSU TSUTA HIME-SAMA PLEASE DON'T...!
ASAHI IS TOO STUPID TO UNDERSTAND HER POSITION...!
SHINE
I CANNOT ALLOW SOMEONE WEAKER THAN ME TO BE SO WILLFUL.
IF YOU WANT TO FIGHT, I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO GIVE YOU ONE.
SHUT UP!
BACK OFF.
SHUTTER...

YUU...
HURRY UP AND RUN!
I CAN'T PROTECT YOU ANY MORE
WHAT'S WRONG?
IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO ATTACK THEN I WILL.
I CAN'T LEAVE YUURI,
IT'S BECAUSE OF ME THAT HE....
O G
wobble
SFX: SLASH
SFX: COLLAPSE

YOU'RE WRONG.
WHAT YOU'RE DOING
ISN'T FOR HIKATO.
YOU IGNORED HIKATO'S FEELINGS
BECAUSE
HIKATO ALWAYS SAID TO ME
HIKATO SAID THAT HE WANTED TO STAY HERE
I HAVE MY OWN PLANS
DO YOU STILL WISH
TO CONTINUE TO BE WILLFUL?
SO UNLESS I HEAR IT FROM HIKATO PERSONALLY TO ASK ME TO STOP THIS
I WON'T GIVE UP!
WHAT I CAN ONLY DO
THIS IS
LET HIKATO DRINK MY BLOOD FOR THE LAST TIME,
AND THEN SLOWLY PURSUADE HIM
I FEEL... THAT LETTING HIKATO DO WHAT HE WANTS,
IS THE BEST FOR HIM.

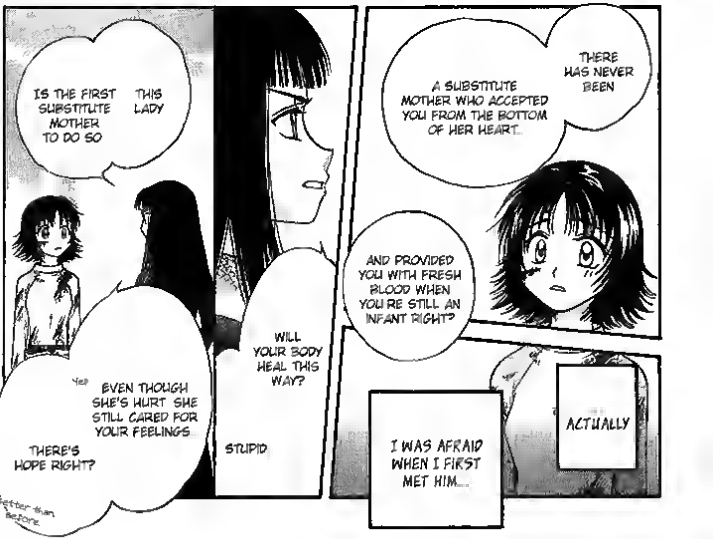
I'LL KILL YOU YOU KNOW?
FOR HIKATO
HIKATO AS AN INFANT WON'T REMEMBER WHATEVER HE SAW
THIS WAY I'LL HAVE AN EXCUSE
TO FIND HIM A NEW SUBSTITUTE MOTHER
I'LL JUST LIE TO HIM LATER.
SFX: ROAR
THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE!
SAY THAT YOU'RE WILLING TO GIVE UP !
NO!
I'll never give up...!!
I DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO

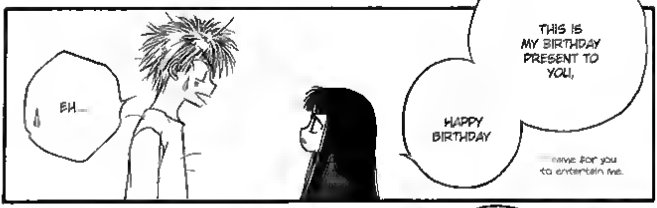
GIVE UP FIRST ...!
OH,
IS THAT SO?
PAT
EH ?
I'LL LET YOU TRY AGAIN
SINCE YOU'RE SO STUBBORN
THEN,
I'LL LET YOU TRY ONE MORE TIME
EVEN THOUGH I TRULY WANT TO BRING HIM BACK,
I'LL HAND HIM OVER TO YOU THIS TIME
WHY
EH
BECAUSE,
YOU CARED FOR HIKATO SO MUCH
AH— THAT...
Even though you're kind of too honest
Suddenly realized so forgiving

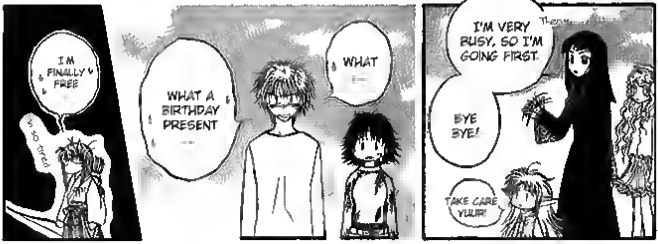
HERE! GO ON!
OK!
YOU'RE HUNGRY?
HUH?
hungry
hungry
hungry
suck
suck
I LIKE HIKATO
I WANT HIM TO GROW UP PROPERLY
HOW CUTE
hugs

I'M WILLING TO DO ANYTHING
TSUTA HIME YOU
NOT AGAIN..!
YOUR WOUNDS .
...ASAHI?!
HIKATO ...!!
I...
...?

SFX: HIT
BECAUSE OF HER, YOU'RE STRONGER THAN BEFORE...
EH
HMPH
by a little


IS THE FIRST SUBSTITUTE MOTHER TO DO SO
THIS LADY
EVEN THOUGH SHE'S HURT SHE STILL CARED FOR YOUR FEELINGS
Yes!
THERE'S HOPE RIGHT?
better than before
WILL YOUR BODY HEAL THIS WAY?
STUPID
A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER WHO ACCEPTED YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF HER HEART...
THERE HAS NEVER BEEN
AND PROVIDED YOU WITH FRESH BLOOD WHEN YOU'RE STILL AN INFANT RIGHT?
I WAS AFRAID WHEN I FIRST MET HIM...
ACTUALLY





Izumies kissed by Hikaru heal faster

BY THE WAY
YUURI IS FINE AFTER HARIPO-CHAN TREATED HIM
BUT BANDAGED IN THIS WAY
Can't move...
Even though it's only your hand you mustn't be careless.
I HAD A FEVER FOR 3 DAYS 3 NIGHTS
I FOUGHT WITH HER ONCE AND BECAUSE I DIDN'T TEND TO MY WOUNDS.
TSUTA HIME'S BLADE IS VERY SCARY.
THANK YOU FOR PROTECTING ME
HOW CAN I THANK YOU?
SFX: BLUSH
JUST STAYING BY MY SIDE WILL DO.
AH! WAIT A MINUTE!
THIS IS FOR YOU!

Because you smile you like this kind
You kept looking at the insides of my watch that was small that time Right?
I like it
MINI MACHINE THAT IS AUTOMATED,
YOU REMEMBER IT SO CLEARLY
I know!
praise me
A MUSIC BOX WITH THE "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" SONG!
You can look at what's inside.
THIS IS MY PRESENT TO YOU.
BECAUSE VAMPIRES HAVE A LONG LIFE
MAKING CHANGES EVERY YEAR BEING REBORN AGAIN AND AGAIN
THIS WAY YOU'LL KEEP HAVING NEW FEELINGS AND STRENGTH.
I DON'T THINK IT'S A CURSE ANYMORE
YOU'LL FEEL BETTER IF YOU THINK OF IT IN THIS WAY RIGHT?
UMM,
BECOMING WEAK ON YOUR BIRTHDAY
IT'S AS THOUGH IT'S A REBIRTH CEREMONY
THAT'S WHAT I FELT WHEN I SAW BABY HIKATO

You're really getting stronger after each obstacle.
YOU CAN INVITE WHOEVER YOU WANT.
LET'S START FROM NEXT YEAR WITH EVERYONE
EVERYONE WOULD SING WHEN THE MUSIC BOX PLAYS!
LET'S CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY EVERY YEAR!
BUT THIS MUSIC BOX,
I ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO IT ALONE WITH YOU.
CONTINUE THE TREATMENT
EH
DO WE STILL HAVE TO?
THIS IS THE FIRST
I know it...
AH! YOU'RE HURT HERE AS WELL
OF COURSE IF WE DON'T HEAL THE WOUNDS TODAY THERE'LL BE SCARS
Eh
I don't Want
SECRET THAT BELONGS TO US
I'm gonna collapse around again, ah
Now embarrassing
Yeh
Tense
Kind of perverted...

Transcendence

吸血小情人

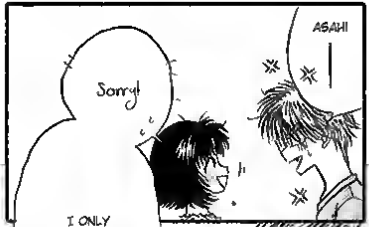
THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS START TOMORROW
ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS.
BUT DON'T FORGET TO DO YOUR HOMEWORK
YEAR 2'S OF HIGH SCHOOL HAVE A LOT OF HOMEWORK DURING THE HOLIDAYS
FOR THE PROMOTION FORM.
PLEASE DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR GUARDIAN PROPERLY BEFORE FILLING IT IN.
EHH
PROMOTION AH ...

6 The shrine siblings Sougou and Mizuha are two of the few humans in this manga filled with non-human characters Even so they can still make snow fall and direct arrows' paths and in the end they still became not so human
Despite the fact that their fathers a normal human
Although the sister looks weak and fragile shes actually very health On the other hand the brother is the type who loves to act tough so he gets sick easily

You'll have to work hard then.
IT'S SO FAST
Look—— This is all the home work there have to do over the holidays
Sniff
AM A YEAR 2 STUDENT IN A BLINK OF AN EYE.
I
← she brought it over specially.
I DON'T FEEL LIKE A STUDENT ANYMORE
I MET YOU LAST YEAR RIGHT AFTER ENROLLING IN THIS SCHOOL.
IT'S BEEN HARD ON YOU
smiles
ARE YOU PLANNING TO STUDY IN A UNIVERSITY?
UMM. I'M NOT TOO SURE MYSELF!
... BUT, BECAUSE YOU ALWAYS ASKED ME ABOUT THE CONTENT OF THE CLASSES, I'VE BEEN REVIEWING AGAIN AND AGAIN,
AND NOW MY GRADES ARE BETTER THAN WHEN I WAS IN JUNIOR HIGH.
I believe more attentive in classes so I can answer your questions

SHO
CKED

I NEED TO CONSIDER CAREFULLY FROM NOW ON...
I also need to fill in the form!
YOU SHOULD START CONSIDERING WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO BE MY PARTNER
Although no matter what your choice is you still have to graduate and study


ASAH!
Sorry!
I ONLY FORGOT ABOUT IT A LITTLE

yes
WHY ARE YOU DUMBFOUNDED
A LITTLE
YOU FORGOT, DIDN'T YOU!
You have to make a decision before I fully recover

THAT'S SOMETHING FOR YOU TO DECIDE IN THE FUTURE!
UHN...
BUT,
YOU CAN BECOME A VAMPIRE ANYTIME
IF YOU DON'T REALLY HATE IT...
THEN COME OVER
...EH
EH EH
YOU'RE THINKING OF THAT RIGHT?
BLOOD DIDN'T YOU JUST DRINK IT?

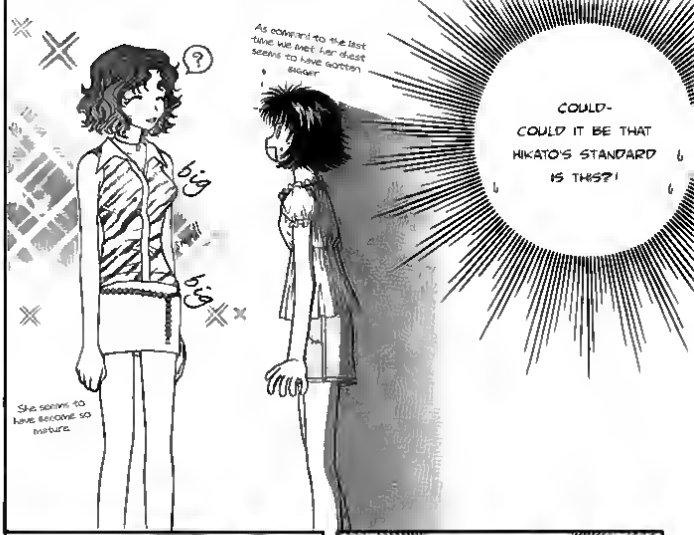
WHAT
WHAT DO I DO
STIFF
pulls back
... EVEN IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE MY PARTNER,
YOU SHOULD JUST SAY THAT YOU'RE NOT WILLING TO
ruffle
YOU SHOULD WAIT UNTIL YOUR CHEST OR WAIST FULLY DEVELOPS FULLY FIRST!
Hurry up and become a grown woman!
...!

She likes black?
Doesn't it look nice?
Tsuta-chan's clothes are always black.
She has only black clothes.
THE PEOPLE AROUND HER ARE A LITTLE DISATISFIED
YOU COULD EMPLOY A STYLIST
IT'S BORING IF YOU WEAR BLACK ALL THE TIME
TSUTA-CHAN TRY WEARING OTHER COLORS
SOO BORY
TOO TROUBLESOME AND IT'S A WASTE OF MONEY
WEARING BLACK WOULD AVOID HAVING THE TROUBLE OF THINKING OF THE COLOURS TO GO WITH IT
YOU'RE A GIRL
TRY WEARING PINK CLOTHES!
A queen should also take note of her appearance.
there
pink
You want to see.
DO YOU THINK IT SUITS ME?
It's pink.
LET'S CHANGE CHANGE A COLOR AND SEE
EVERY MAN IS A BORN PERVERT!
It's your fault for wearing a shirt that looks like your pajamas.
Hikaru, you big pervert!
What's that suppose to mean?!
these aren't my Pajamas
yaoi
It looks like one.
Knock knock
HELLO
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING

Transcendence

*T/N: PLEASE NOTE THAT NUO'S NAME WAS CHANGED TO "RUI" AS "RUI" IS THE CORRECT TRANSLATION.

?
HIKARU SEEMS TO BE VERY HAPPY
RUI WAS
HIS PREVIOUS SUBSTITUTE MOTHER AS WELL AS EX-GIRLFRIEND
HE WAS VERY WORRIED FOR HER
BECAUSE OF MANY COMPLICATIONS WHICH SURFACED
IT'S NO WONDER HE'S HAPPY
SEEING HER SO REFRESHED
SIGHOS...


?
big
big
She seems to have become so mature.
As compared to the last time we met her chest seems to have gotten bigger
COULD-
COULD IT BE THAT HIKATO'S STANDARD IS THIS?!

ME?
EH?

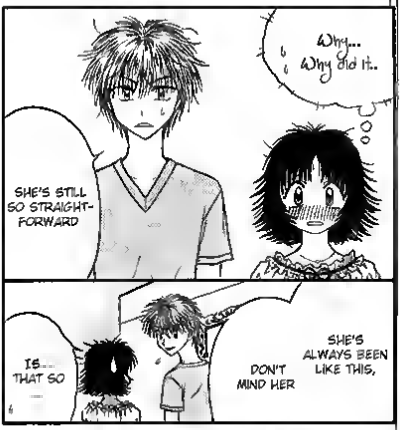
I... I WON'T GROW INTO THAT NO MATTER HOW MANY YEARS I TAKE
I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU

THE QUEEN'S PRIVATE BEACH?

Different Cats
IN THE FIRST CHAPTER, YUUKI'S BAT FACE WAS LIKE THIS...
BUT IT BECAME LIKE THIS NOW. WHAT HAPPENED TO YUUKI...?
Filmon
GOTTEN FATTER?
EH?!
Is that so?
MOREOVER, EVEN THOUGH HE'S A BAT HE DOESN'T HANG HIMSELF UPSIDE DOWN. HE RESTS ON A BRANCH LIKE A BIRD INSTEAD
I'M ORIGINALLY A HUMAN, SO HANGING UPSIDE DOWN IS A LITTLE...
HE'S A FAKE BAT AFTERALL
WHAT SCHEME DOES SHE HAVE IN MIND THIS TIME...
Are you free?
SO SHE WANTS TO INVITE YOU TO HER BEACH.
IT'S TO APOLOGIZE FOR HURTING YOU LAST TIME.
I WANT TO GO!
Since she made a vow it should be ok.
WELL?
I SWEAR ON THE QUEEN'S NAME THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING.
THEN I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU GUYS TO DECIDE ON THE DATE!
With the sea
BUT IT WOULD BE A SEA FROM THE OTHER WORLD, RIGHT?
This feels like a Lullaby
DON'T ALWAYS THINK SO LOWLY OF TSUTA-HIME!

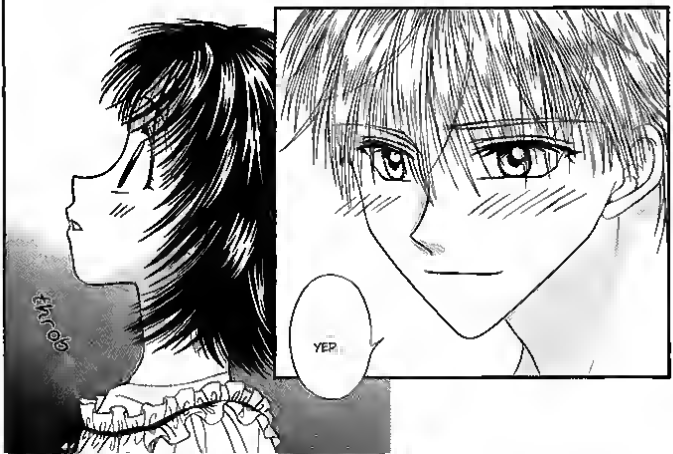
I KNOW.
SHE JUST WANTS TO TEST ME RIGHT?
TSUTA-HIME NEVER HAD ANY NOTION TO KILL YOU.
I DON'T MIND IT ALREADY.
THAT'S GOOD~
IS THAT SO?
sigh of relief
Die~ Die by the road.
WAS BECAUSE OF TSUTA-HIME'S CARE
THE REASON WHY I DIDN'T DIE BY THE ROADSIDE WHEN HIKATO AND I BROKE UP
?
OF COURSE!
DO YOU LIKE TSUTA-HIME?
Tsuta-hime doesn't have such a liking!
IF I WAS A HOMO-SEXUAL,
I WOULD HAVE FORGOTTEN ABOUT HIKATO
You mean... Homo- Homosexual ...

EEK!
HAVE THE TWO OF YOU KISSED ALREADY?
BUT, EVEN THOUGH SHE'S JOKING, HER FEELINGS TOWARDS HIKATO ARE STILL
CLASSIC
WHAT'S WRONG?
DON'T MIND ME
Urm.. urm..
gentek
gentek
gentek
AH?
IT WAS I, WHO CHOSE TO LIKE HIKATO.
THIS WAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHO HIKATO LIKES OR WHO LIKES HIKATO.


Why... Why did it..
SHE'S STILL SO STRAIGHT-FORWARD
IS... THAT SO
DON'T MIND HER
SHE'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THIS,

BYE,
ONCE THE DATE IS SET, I'LL NOTIFY YOU GUYS

She's becoming more and more beautiful
Look
SHE SEEMS TO BE HAPPY MAKING HERSELF PRETTY!
She probably isn't that innocent...
BUT BUT SHE SEEMS TO BE MORE CHEERFUL.
A VERY HEALTHY IMAGE I'M RELIEVED!


throb
YEP.

DAMN... HER CHEST IS BIG...
STAB STAB
?
AH, AH... LITTLE ANIMALS WHICH COMFORT HUMANS
keenly
ASAHI ...?
PLEASE DON'T FORGET MY TRUE FORM...
PEE PEE
FLAP FLAP
...AH!
YUURI'S A BAT ——!
?!
catch!
What are you doing...
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM, LET ME TOUCH IT FOR A WHILE
need to be comforted
Wow cute. The fur on the neck is so soft—
!!!
I SHOULD CHANGE MY IMAGE
RUI SEEMS TO BE DIFFICULT ...
TO DEAL WITH

Returned to the original room
LET'S JUST DO TODAY'S HOMEWORK HERE!
I CAN HELP CHECK YOUR ANSWERS
MORE-OVER,
HOW DO I SAY THIS?
ASAHI,
AND NOW THEY PROBABLY STILL UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER MORE THAN I DO WITH HIM
SHE UNDERSTANDS THE OLD HIKATO,
HE STILL NEEDS TO CHECK MY HOMEWORK.....
NO... IT'S FINE! I'LL DO IT AT HOME!
I'm just a kid..?!
From the perspective of Hikato, who used to go out with Rui
DON'T GET LOST.
Transcendence

OK
THIS PLACE IS CONNECTED TO MANY OTHER PLACES.
IF YOU'RE LOST, THEN YOU'LL BE IN TROUBLE.
Don't let go of my hand!
Yuuri as always stays at home to look after the house
Even having said so IT'S VERY DARK!
LIKE THIS?
Is there no light, it'll be scary
YOU COULD PROBABLY SEE WITHOUT LIGHT.
HEY!
IS THE ME NOW STILL UNABLE TO MEMORIZE THE ROUTE?
Even if I change into a vampire?
AH AH, HUMANS PROBABLY COULDN'T!
If you don't turn into a vampire completely then you probably can't!
OH... BEING A HUMAN IS KIND OF TROUBLESOME
YES BUT IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN THAT IT'S FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO DO EVERYTHING

ARGH! I COULD ONLY THINK OF SUCH THINGS
BUT RUI KNOWS HOW TO WALK BY HERSELF...
HIKARU SAYS HE LIKES ME...
I CAN'T HELP IT!
THIS IS HOW I AM!
HE HASN'T SAID THAT HE LIKES ME...?!
HE ONLY SAID ATTRACTED TO
OR THAT HE'S HAPPY TO HAVE MET ME
TO CLEARLY SAY LIKE HE

BUT,
EVEN NOW...
I STILL WISH
WHAT HAPPENED?
Did sand get into your shoes?
IT'S NOTHING...
She stopped walking.
THAT HE WOULD DIRECTLY SAY IT ONCE...
WELCOME
WOW
SUCH A NICE FIGURE
WOW
HOW BEAUTIFUL!
A sea full of corals

OVER THERE IS THE HOME OF THE SEA
Beverages have already been prepared for you.
You can carry your luggage there.
WHERE'S HER HIGHNESS?
She has some work, so she won't be able to make it.
Because she's busy person.
Home of the Sea..?
YOU MEAN THE VILLA OF TSUTA
IT ISN'T NATURALLY MADE
WHAT'S THIS I THOUGHT I COULD HAVE A CHAT WITH HER
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TSUTA?
YOU ALREADY WENT THROUGH ALL THAT
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT HER
SHE IS YOUR COUSIN AFTER ALL
YOUR SWIMSUIT IS A NEW PRODUCT, RIGHT?
I saw it in a magazine
Very EXPENSIVE
YEP
I HAVE NO INTEREST IN THOSE KINDS OF THINGS
EH ?
You don't want to know?
OF COURSE ♡
THIS YOU WANT TO KNOW THINGS LIKE THAT, HUH?
Moreover
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET HER TO TALK ABOUT YOU WHEN YOU WERE SMALL, YOUR FAILURES AND MAYBE EVEN THE NAME OF YOUR FIRST LOVE...

CUSTOMERS ...?
These...
CUSTOMERS GAVE THEM TO ME
I SAW THIS PAIR OF SANDALS AS WELL!
YOU'RE INTO FASHION!
Rich person...
THAT-THAT KIND OF WORK...
IT'S GOOD RIGHT?
Don't worry ! not a thief!
I'M CURRENTLY WORKING IN THE HUMAN WORLD,
I JUST NEED TO ACCOMPANY MY CUSTOMERS TO DRINK OR TALK AND THEY'D PAY ME!
They would even give me presents
YES...
YOU CAN DRINK BLOOD ?
RUI... RUI SHE...
Because she's a vampire
RUI...
DON'T WORRY. I WON'T DO STUPID THINGS.
I GET BLOOD USING HARMONIOUS METHODS.

... THAT'S GOOD.

BECAUSE RUI HATES HUMANS,

AFTER SHE BECAME A VAMPIRE, SHE WOULD VOMIT IF SHE CONSUMED HUMAN BLOOD.

That's why she asks for blood from the Moon Ghost tribe.

BUT IF SHE CAN BURY HER HATRED,

HER WOUNDED HEART WOULD ALSO...

RUI STILL HAS A BIG PLACE IN HIKATO'S HEART.

BUT,

YEP...

BECAUSE HE'S LIKE THAT.

I WISH THAT RIN WOULD RECOVER AS WELL
Let's go change into our swimming suits!
I FELL IN LOVE WITH HIM
ALL RIGHT
I'M GONNA START SWIMMING!
Ligu
ASAHI-CHAN.
It's so hot
HARI-KUN.
THIS IS TO APOLOGIZE FOR THE INCIDENT LAST TIME

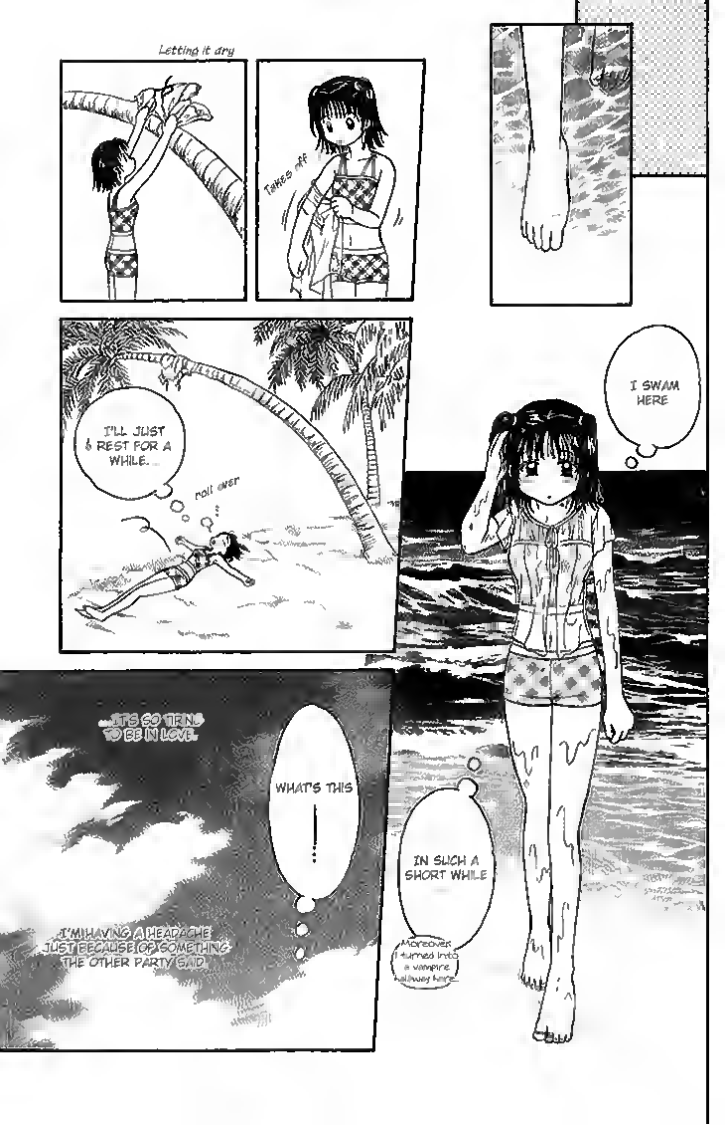
HOW CUTE!
IT'S OK! I'M GOOD AT SWIMMING! THIS CAN ALSO PREVENT SUNBURN!
OH?
MOREOVER, THIS CAN HIDE MY CHEST AND MY HIPS!
Let's go swim!
sigh
It still feels very difficult walking beside her—
Summer Clothes.
THANKS! I'VE BEEN WANTING TO GET THIS DESIGN!
DID YOU MAKE THIS?
WOULDN'T IT BE DIFFICULT TO SWIM IN THIS...
I'll wear it immediately!
while swimming!
IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL...!
Breathtaking

SHE DOESN'T SEEM TO WANT TO APOLOGISE TO YOU.
Is that so ?
Man she...
I don't think Hikato-kun Weakness will just sit by and watch.
I don't want to see Hikato's apologize—
SHE STILL MINDS WHAT HAPPENED BEFORE...
IF ONLY MARIERU AND CO COULD COME AS WELL...
IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL!
Ahh...
No way
HIKATO'S NO LONGER ANGRY
MEOW
MEOW
Ahh!
What what is this...
A fish with the face of a cat ?!
SLAM
AH!
Wait
Ah, ah, Catfish.
Let me have a closer look!
ARE YOU OK?
IT'S VERY DANGEROUS!!
Take care, don't drown.
Sorry..
Cough
Cough

I shouldn't have worn it into the sea after all
IT WAS A GIFT...
EH... IT MUST HAVE BEEN WASHED AWAY!
I REALLY COULD SWIM.
HOW EMBARRASSING!
EH?
ONE OF YOUR EARRINGS DROPPED!
IT'S A GIFT FROM YOUR CUSTOMERS AGAIN?
This is going to be never-ending...
SHE'S ASKING THIS TYPE OF QUESTION AGAIN...
DO YOU STILL LIKE ME?
ARE YOU JEALOUS?
I LIKE YOUR SMILING FACE THAT'S FULL OF
YEP,
ENERGY
Transcendence

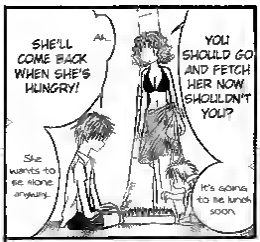
Firmly
Ah!
!
ASAHI?
I'LL SWIM OVER THERE AND THEN COME BACK
Border
Asahi
Hiroto
Rui
THE CURRENT IS BAD OUTSIDE THE BORDER, SO DON'T GO BEYOND IT!
I KNOW!?!
Even an elementary kid would know that.
It's very dangerous
THEN ME TOO
THERE'S NO NEED! I WISH TO CHALLENGE IT ON MY OWN!
I'M GOOD AT SWIMMING, SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!
Bye.
SEE YOU LATER, HARI-KUN!
ASAHI-CHAN
Why did she become a vampire..?

HOW DARE HE SAY THAT HE LIKES HER ..!
HE'S STILL THAT SLOW
WHAT'S THAT BRAT DOING?
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
THAT DOESN'T COUNT, DOES IT?! IT WAS JUST A CASUAL REMARK
BUT!
Swimming as a means to cool off
HE NEVER SAID SUCH THINGS TO ME BEFORE...!
HE MUST HAVE HAD SAID IT OFTEN WHEN HE DATED RUI!
THAT'S WHY THOSE WORDS CAME OUT SO NATURALLY JUST NOW.
SQUEAL
IT'S LIKE A GUY STUCK BETWEEN HIS EX-GIRLFRIEND AND HIS CURRENT GIRLFRIEND WHEN THEY'RE HAVING A HOLIDAY
AH.
I can't take it anymore
SPLASH
SPLASH


Letting it dry
Takes off
I'LL JUST REST FOR A WHILE...
nap over
I SWAM HERE
IN SUCH A SHORT WHILE
Moreover I turned into a vampire halfway here
WHAT'S THIS
!
IT'S SO TIRING TO BE IN LOVE
I'M HAVING A HEADACHE JUST BECAUSE OF SOMETHING THE OTHER PARTY SAID

I WANT TO MAKE HIM FRET OVER SUCH PROBLEMS TOO...

HOW UPSETTING,
AND YET I STILL LIKE HIM


AH.
SHE'LL COME BACK WHEN SHE'S HUNGRY!
YOU SHOULD GO AND FETCH HER NOW SHOULDN'T YOU?
She wants to be alone anyway.
It's going to be lunch soon.

SMACK
HEY!
AH! MY HAND SLIPPED
Tokiya's actions is an order given to his by Tsuta-shime!
OOPS! MY HAND...
No no no you don't know!
Hey!
It really hurts!
... THESE THINGS TOO.
I KNOW...
SHE'S JUST SAYING THINGS THAT ARE OPPOSITE OF WHAT SHE TRULY THINKS.
HIKATO, AS/AH! AND I AREN'T THE SAME.
It'll be fine if something happens

I SHOULD GO BACK...
I feel much better after the swim. My stomach is hungry as well.
sure am healthy.
It's up
It's dry
AH!
It's blown away
IT'S SO FAR AWAY.
Wah!
OUTSIDE OF THE BORDER BOUNDARIES
AH!
IT'S COLD...
Shiver
THE SHIRT ISN'T WASHED FAR AWAY EITHER, IT SHOULD BE OK~
BUT IT'S JUST AT THE SIDE
BESIDES THE DANGEROUS AREA SHOULD BE FARTHER AWAY

WOBBLE
SPLASH
EH..
THE WATER IS ICE-COLD!
SO THIS IS THE BAD CURRENT?
IT DOES SEEM QUITE DANGEROUS WHEN THE LEG CRAMPS UP DUE TO THE SUDDEN COLD...
SFX. SPLASH
!
I FORGOT.
AH SHOULD IT BE MY LEG CRAMPED UP?

THIS PLACE IS THE LAND OF THE DEAD.
BECAUSE YOU CAN FREQUENTLY SEE THE SOULS OF THE DEAD,
SO IT'S OFTEN THOUGHT AS THE COUNTRY OF THE DEAD.
OH NO...!
!!

IT'S SCARY!
SAVE ME!
HIKARU
THIS
THING THAT IS RED,
AND WARM

AH, AH.
THIS IS
HIKATO'S RED DRAGON.
IT FEELS SO WARM WHEN I TOUCH IT
IT MUST BE BECAUSE
IT HAS THE SAME TEMPERATURE AS HIKATO.

time
HIKATO
HIS FACE IS SO PALE
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
ASAHI!
I'M RELIEVED
Phew
Clinch
GASP
You... idiot!
I should be the one asking you that!!!
WHY DID YOU GO OVER THE BORDER?! DIDN'T I SAY THAT IT'S VERY DANGEROUS?!
YOU ALMOST DIED...!
I'M... I'M SORRY

SORRY, ASAHI
IT'S OUR FAULT THAT WE DIDN'T EXPLAIN PROPERLY.
HIKATO, DON'T SAY ANYTHING ANYMORE ASAHI IS A HUMAN!
DO YOU THINK AN APOLOGY WOULD SOLVE EVERYTHING...
SORRY,
I WENT OVERBOARD
I'M SO SORRY
WHEN I SAID THAT THE CURRENT WAS BAD
I CAN'T STAND IT ANYMORE...!
dash
IT DOESN'T REFER TO THE SEA CURRENT...
ARGH

ASAHI!
WAIT UP!
WHAT? SORRY?
WHY ARE YOU APOLOGIZING?!
I HATE THIS ME
EH
YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY ANGRY!
BECAUSE I'M A HUMAN, AND IS VERY FRAGILE,
HOW DID IT BECOME SO...
IT'S OBVIOUS THAT I'M THE ONE AT FAULT!
THAT'S WHY IT'S OK?!
CONFUSING?
I HAVE A SHORT TEMPER
I DON'T WANT TO RELY ON YOU THIS MUCH..!
AND COULD ONLY CRY AS THOUGH I'M FRAGILE
I DIDN'T MEAN THAT..
I'VE DECIDED
IN TRUTH,

MORE THAN ANYONE, I JUST WANT TO BE NEAR HIKARU.
I JUST WANT TO DO THAT
I WANT TO BE A REAL VAMPIRE!
IF I TURN INTO A REAL VAMPIRE,
I'LL BE ABLE TO REMEMPER EVERYTHING...
CALM DOWN.
I DON'T WANT TO BE A BURDEN TO YOU!
IF I BECOME STRONGER, I WON'T BE A TROUBLE FOR YOU!
I WANT TO PROTECT YOU TOO.
THE ME NOW IS USELESS
THE SAME WAY YOU PROTECT ME!
I WANT TO BE OF SOME HELP TO YOU.

I...
YOU'RE NOT A TROUBLE TO ME
AND BE STRONGER THAN RUI.
THAT'S WHY...
I LIKE THE FEELING OF BEING RELIED ON BY YOU
I'M VERY HAPPY NOW.
BECAUSE YOU DON'T JUST PROVIDE ME WITH BLOOD EVERY DAY
BUT ALSO WITH MANY, MANY OTHER THINGS
EH...

BECAUSE,
YOU LIKE ME RIGHT?
...ISN'T THAT TRUE?
EVERYTIME I WANT TO KISS YOU, YOU'LL BECOME STIFF.
Actually, I think it was because you were too shy
CRYING LIKE THIS
BECAUSE YOU WERE SCARED THAT YOU'RE A BURDEN TO ME,
I'LL BE VERY WORRIED...
ACTUALLY, I...

NEVER TOLD HIM THAT I LIKE HIM DIRECTLY EITHER.
HIKATO,
I LIKE YOU...
EH..?
I WAS JUST JEALOUS OF RUI
flustered
It's bizarre to see you like this over such things!
IDIOT! YOU CARED SO MUCH ABOUT SUCH THINGS?!
AND YOU NEVER SAID THAT YOU LIKE ME!
BUT RUI HAS A NICE BODY, AND YOU SAID YOU LIKE HER SMILE!
I- I KNOW!
THERE'S NOTHING BETWEEN RUI AND I ANYMORE
BECAUSE, I WANTED TO MAKE YOU LIKE ME MORE...

I LIKE YOU, ASAH!
I HAVE ALWAYS CARED MORE THAN YOU ABOUT SUCH THINGS.
BUT I'M JUST UNEASY!
I LOVE YOU...
Eh...
Ah
Eh
The feelings gone after I become small
YOU- YOU HAVE TO SAY THAT
AG...IN WHEN YOU'RE BIG...
THEN GIVE ME THE BLOOD FROM YOUR CHEST!

It's fine if you guys are on good terms again——
SHOCK
BE- BECAUSE...
IDIOT COUPLE
THAT'S BECAUSE THAT WAS BEFORE MY BIRTHDAY. I JUST BECAME SMALLER!
EH... BUT YOU WERE ABLE TO BECOME BIG BEFORE USING NORMAL BLOOD, NO?
WHY DO YOU ALWAYS HATE IT?
BUT...
I'M REALLY AN IDIOT
But sometimes the small Hasuto is also very cute...
How about staying like this for the night?
OK.
LATER, WHEN IT'S ONLY THE TWO OF US...
I'VE FORGOTTEN THAT.
ACTUALLY I'M RECEIVING SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT EVERY DAY THAN ANY WORD HE SAYS.
HIS FEELINGS
Eh...
THEN I WANT TO BE THE 2ND ONE. ♡
I'LL NEVER FORGET THIS.
NEVER AGAIN...

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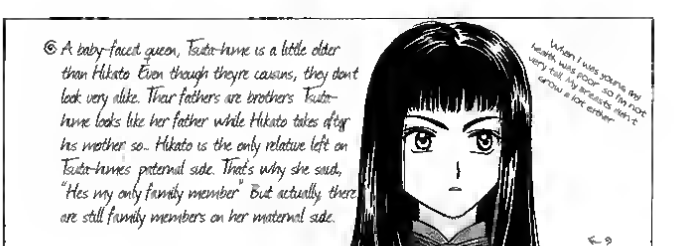
AUGUST.
THE HAPPY SUMMER HOLIDAYS HAS COME TO AN END.
even though there was a lot of homework
NOW THAT I'M A JUNIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL, I SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT MY FUTURE.
BUT I HAVE BEEN THINKING...
HIKATO...
IT STILL SEEMS LIKE A DREAM


© A baby-faced queen, Tsuta-hime is a little older than Hikato. Even though they're cousins, they don't look very alike. Their fathers are brothers. Tsuta-hime looks like her father while Hikato takes after his mother so... Hikato is the only relative left on Tsuta-hime's paternal side. That's why she said, "He's my only family member." But actually, there are still family members on her maternal side.
When I was young, my health was poor, so I'm not very tall. My parents aren't tall, you know, a lot either.
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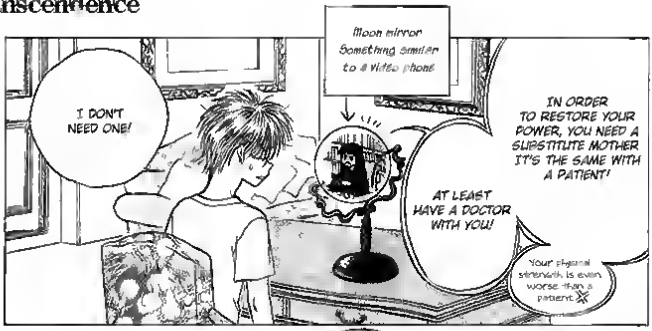
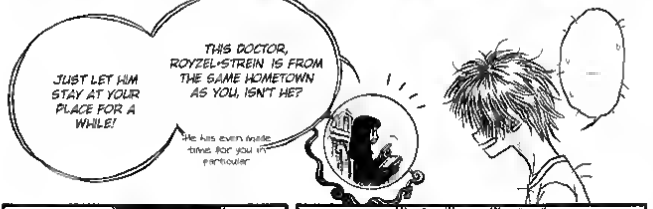
I'M SORT OF DONE DECIDING MY FUTURE.
I'LL WORK RIGHT AFTER I GRADUATE.
WHAT?
I'M STILL NOT QUITE SURE WHAT KIND OF WORK I WANT TO DO,
BUT I WANT TO BECOME A PART OF THE COMMUNITY.

HIKATO?
AH, AND THEN?
YOU DON'T USUALLY SPACE OUT LIKE THIS...
IS THERE SOMETHING TROUBLING YOU?
THE DOCTOR IS COMING SOON...
DOCTOR? ARE YOU NOT FEELING WELL?
I'M TOTALLY FINE.
IT'S TSUTA-HIME THAT BRAT...
HER HIGHNESS?
HIKATO,
YOU NEED TO HAVE SOME SENSE OF CRISIS


Moon mirror
Something similar to a video phone
I DON'T NEED ONE!
IN ORDER TO RESTORE YOUR POWER, YOU NEED A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER IT'S THE SAME WITH A PATIENT!
AT LEAST HAVE A DOCTOR WITH YOU!
Your physical strength is even worse than a patient

CHE..
IF YOU DON'T LISTEN TO ME
I'LL TELL ASASHI BAD STUFF ABOUT YOU THE NEXT TIME I SEE HER
angry...
a tuesday

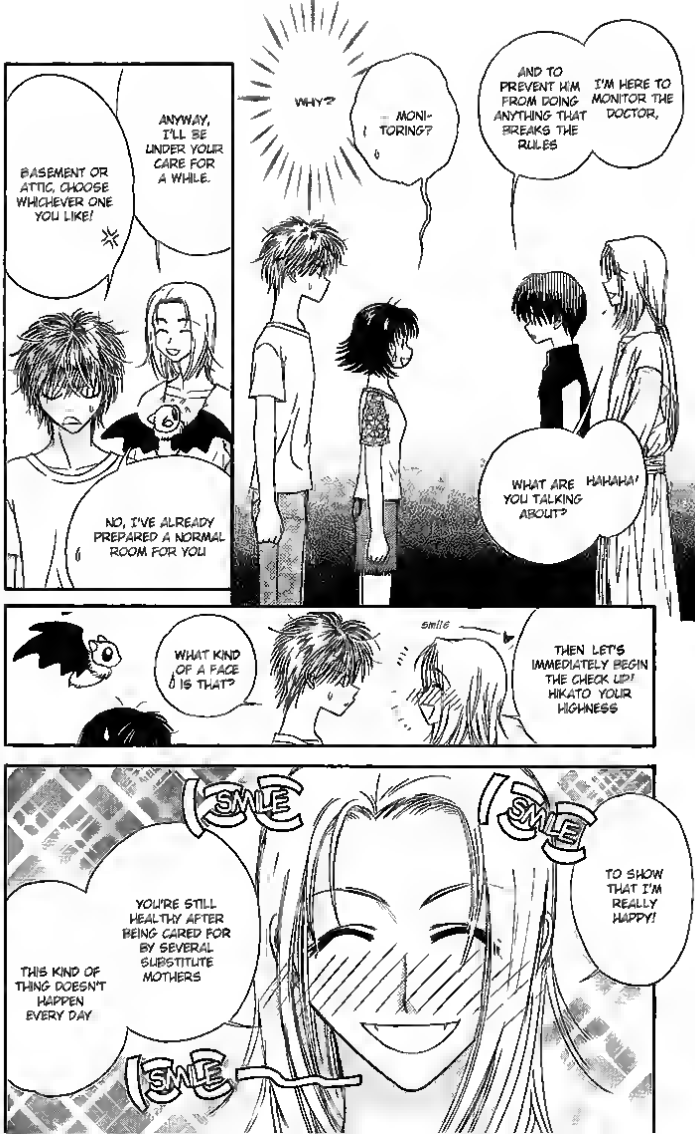

JUST LET HIM STAY AT YOUR PLACE FOR A WHILE!
THIS DOCTOR, ROYZEL-STREIN IS FROM THE SAME HOMETOWN AS YOU, ISN'T HE?
He has even made time for you in particular

There's no one that I specifically like anyway...
YOU DON'T LIKE DOCTORS?
sigh

Yeah...
SO A VAMPIRE DOCTOR IS GOING TO COME.

BUT YOU SHOULD LET THE PROFESSIONALS TAKE A LOOK...
SINCE HIKATO'S POWER HAS WEAKENED
YOU'RE ACTING LIKE A CHILD...
-Hehe-
THAT'S RIGHT...
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, HIKATO, YOUR HIGHNESS

Rui's meals
SINCE RUI IS ALSO A VAMPIRE SHE HAS TO DRINK BLOOD
She was a human so she's the same as human
As long as she doesn't say it, no one will find out
USUALLY SHE ERASES THE MEMORY OF THE PERSON AFTER TAKING BLOOD
Forget about it
Fainted
COMPARED TO THE CUSTOMERS IN THE SHOP, RUI IS EVEN...
YOU WANT TO COME OVER TO MY PLACE?
HEY, HEAR ME OUT I GOT DUMPED AGAIN
Colleagues from work
Sob
Next day
THANKS FOR LISTENING TO ME
It seems I accidently erased
THAT'S OKAY... BREAKFAST IS DONE YOU NEED TO NEED TO REPLENISH YOUR ENERGY!
I GOT TO DRINK HER BLOOD TOO!
RUI IS SUCH A NICE PERSON
Young people's blood tastes so good~
the smart Rui
BY THE WAY YUUKI IS
I STORE LOTS OF BLOOD FROM THE HOSPITAL THAT'S USED FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION IN MY HOUSE
AH... HI...
NICE TO MEET YOU, I'M ROYZEL
That was quick
ROY...
SUCH GOOD MANNERS
But it's not necessary to kneel down
I immediately kneels down
THIS IS MY ASSISTANT, GROYA
I'M NOT YOUR ASSISTANT!
IT'S THE SAME AS AN ARISTOCRAT'S TITLE OF NOBILITY
RED STATUS?
I'M A DISTANT RELATIVE OF THE QUEEN, A "RED STATUS"


I'M HERE TO MONITOR THE DOCTOR,
AND TO PREVENT HIM FROM DOING ANYTHING THAT BREAKS THE RULES
HAHAHA!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
MONI-TORING?
WHY?
ANYWAY, I'LL BE UNDER YOUR CARE FOR A WHILE.
BASEMENT OR ATTIC, CHOOSE WHICHEVER ONE YOU LIKE!
NO, I'VE ALREADY PREPARED A NORMAL ROOM FOR YOU
THEN LET'S IMMEDIATELY BEGIN THE CHECK UP! HIKATO YOUR HIGHNESS
smile
WHAT KIND OF A FACE IS THAT?
TO SHOW THAT I'M REALLY HAPPY!
SMILE
SMILE
YOU'RE STILL HEALTHY AFTER BEING CARED FOR BY SEVERAL SUBSTITUTE MOTHERS
THIS KIND OF THING DOESN'T HAPPEN EVERY DAY
SMILE

SFX: CRUNCH
YOU'LL BE A GREAT TEST SUBJECT...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!
IT HURTS~
SORRY 'BOUT THAT...
SFX: CHEW CHEW
How annoying!
You get angry too easily—
THAT'S TOO BAD—
DO THE CHECK UP TOMORROW!
This is too sudden!

I'LL LEAD
I want to see the lives of humans—
THEN I'LL TAKE A TOUR AROUND HERE
I'LL GO TOO
YOU WILL NOT GO
We'll be leaving then!
I WANTED TO GO TOO...
YOU'D RATHER GO WITH THEM THAN STAY HERE ALONE WITH ME?
I... I DIDN'T MEAN THAT...
ASAHI
AREN'T THOSE PEOPLE YOUR FRIENDS?
I WANT TO TRY AND GET ALONG WITH THEM!
WHAT?
NO, NOTHING...
just wanted to call you
?

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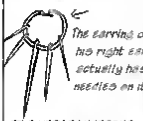
Tailor

HARIFO IS A TAILOR.

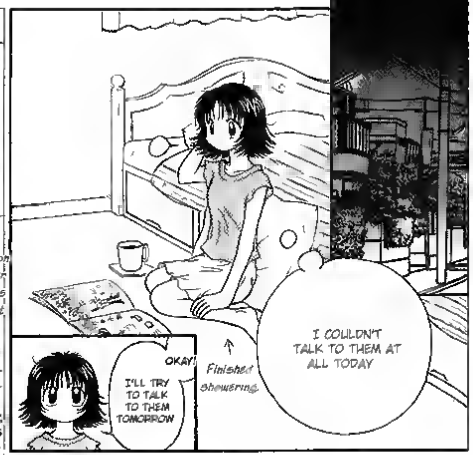


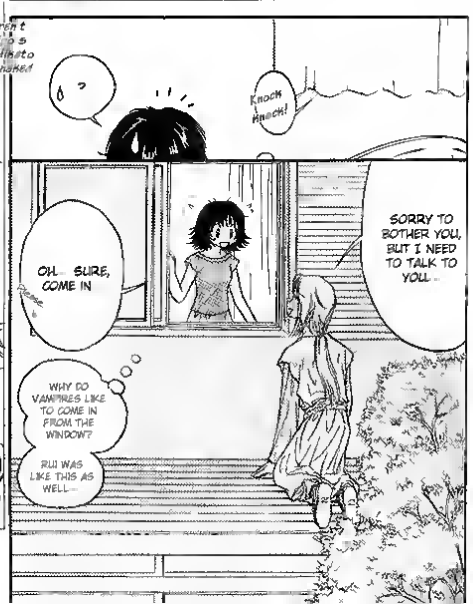
IT'S VERY DANGEROUS ISN'T IT?

HE MAKES CLOTHES THAT ARE SELF CLEANING SO THEY DON'T NEED WASHING. HE ALSO MAKES CLOTHES THAT CAN ADJUST SIZES.

HARIFO'S SPECIAL ABILITY IS TO BE ABLE TO TELL ANOTHER'S BODY SIZES

SO, GIRLS AT AN EMBARRASSING AGE OFTEN HATE HIM




Knock Knock!
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU, BUT I NEED TO TALK TO YOU...
OH... SURE, COME IN
Frame
WHY DO VAMPIRES LIKE TO COME IN FROM THE WINDOW?
RUI WAS LIKE THIS AS WELL...

OH RIGHT.
...YOU'RE HIKATO'S RELATIVE, AREN'T YOU?
I DON'T THINK THAT HUMANS CAN STILL LIVE A NORMAL LIFE AFTER MEETING A VAMPIRE
HIKATO ALSO SAID HE'LL TRY HIS BEST NOT TO AFFECT MY NORMAL LIFE
THERE'S NOTHING THAT WORRIES ME.
...AS A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER DOES YOUR LIFE GET AFFECTED?
PLEASE DON'T THINK THAT I AM IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THAT USELESS PRINCE.
HIKATO IS THE COUSIN OF THE QUEEN, SO I'M NOT RELATED TO HIM
I'M A RELATIVE OF THE QUEEN'S MOTHER
PERHAPS HIKATO, HIS HIGHNESS, IS MORE USEFUL TO HUMANS RIGHT NOW.
B-BUT HIKATO IS WORKING VERY HARD TO PROTECT HERE.
AS A ROYAL, HE DOESN'T WORK TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE HE'S SUPPOSED TO PROTECT
...USELESS
Annoyed...

BUT, THIS IS ALSO THE MOST UNFORTUNATE THING ABOUT HIKATO, HIS HIGHNESS...
WH-WHY? VAMPIRES OR HUMANS,
AREN'T THEY THE SAME IF THEY CAN GET ALONG PEACEFULLY?
... YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED IN HIKATO'S PAST?
THIS CERTAINLY ISN'T SOMETHING EASY TO SAY
EH?
PERHAPS I CAN TELL YOU?
ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN HIS PAST...
...NO...
I BELIEVE THAT SOMEDAY HIKATO WILL TELL ME,
SO I'VE BEEN WAITING
WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT THAT USELESS PRINCE?
Don't say that!

IT'S TRUE THAT IF HIS POWER RECOVERS THEN HE'D BE VERY STRONG
...HIKATO IS GENTLE AND METICULOUS.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S THE ONE PROTECTING ME NOW.
IF I CAN BECOME STRONGER,
THEN I ALSO WANT TO PROTECT HIM.
THEN, TAKE IT OFF
What?!
Smile
FOR HIS HIGHNESS'S SAKE,
THE SUBSTITUTE MOTHER'S BODY SHOULD ALSO BE THOROUGHLY CHECKED.
I'm so excited!
A rare physical examination of the substitute mother
Physical examination?!
Wait
wait a second
so sudden...

TAKE IT OFF NOW...
Kya——!
ばっ
SFX: GASHI...S
AH
ASAMI? WHAT'S WRONG?
NO... NOTHING-
Feather from down-jacket
It hurts
It hurts!
Transcendence

I don't have any intention of breaking our deal.
choke
choke
choke
choke
I GOT IT
If you want to commit acts, then bring a female doctor!
DON'T DO ANY MORE STRANGE STUFF!
SWEAR IT RIGHT NOW WITH YOUR NAME, REPUTATION, AND LIFE!
I was worried.
...a very long while ago.
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HERE?
Really scary.
It's because you harassed her.
Now get out of here!
...YOU CAN SAY IT ANYTIME YOU WANT
I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT MY PAST
I DON'T MIND ANYMORE

A LONG TIME AGO...
THERE WAS ALSO A VAMPIRE COUNTRY IN THIS WORLD
LIKE HER MAJESTY'S COUNTRY?
YEAH.
EVEN THOUGH WE ALREADY SEVERED TIES WITH THE HUMANS
WE STILL HAD FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE HUMANS AROUND US
THAT'S WHERE I WAS BORN
EVEN THOUGH MY PARENTS DIED VERY SOON, MY BROTHER'S FAMILY TOOK CARE OF ME
BROTHER'S CHILDREN WERE LIKE MY OWN SIBLINGS
WE WERE HAPPY

NO MATTER WHAT, MY NEPHEW WOULD BECOME KING
SO I WOULD ASSIST HIM.
ONE DAY, DURING MY VISIT TO THE LAND OF THE DEAD, THEY WERE ATTACKED
BY THE TIME I GOT BACK,
EVERYTHING WAS DESTROYED
SOME OF OUR KIND LIVED,
BUT MY ENTIRE FAMILY DIED.
MY BROTHER, MY SISTER-IN-LAW,
AND MY NIECE AND NEPHEW.

I WAS THE ONLY ONE LEFT WITH ROYAL BLOOD
BUT I DIDN'T HAVE THE STRENGTH TO BUILD A COUNTRY
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT I WOULD EVEN BECOME KING
I LEFT EVERYTHING TO TSUTA-HIME AND RAN AWAY.
AFTER THAT I JUST WANDERED ALONE EVERYWHERE AND EVENTUALLY CAME TO JAPAN
HERE I HAD THE FIRST WOUND THAT REQUIRED ME TO HAVE A SUBSTITUTE MOTHER,
AND IT CONTINUED UNTIL NOW
I'M USELESS.
WHO
WAS IT THAT ATTACKED HIKATO'S COUNTRY?

IT WAS
THE HUMANS?
DON'T FEEL SORRY,
THAT'S WHY,
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT
FIGHTING FOR THE HUMANS

IS SUCH A TRAGEDY FOR HIKARU
DON'T CRY...
WHY ARE YOU PROTECTING THE HUMANS HERE?
ISN'T IT PAINFUL?
I DON'T HATE THE HUMANS HERE.
... I PROMISED MY FIRST SUBSTITUTE MOTHER THAT I WOULD PROTECT THIS PLACE.
AND IT WAS MY FAULT THAT VAMPIRES NEARLY BECAME EXTINCT IN THIS WORLD.
SO I THOUGHT AT LEAST I SHOULD ALWAYS BE IN CONTACT WITH THE HUMANS.

TSUTA-HIME'S COUNTRY WAS THE HOME OF THE ROYAL FAMILIES
THAT'S WHY EVERYONE WANTS ME TO "GO BACK",
BUT THAT'S NOT MY HOMETOWN
LIVING HERE FOR SO LONG CREATES ATTACHMENTS.
EVEN IF SEIRYUU AND THEM CAN GUARD THE BARRIER, AND THERE'S REALLY NO USE FOR ME ANYMORE
I STILL WANT TO STAY HERE...
NUZZLE NUZZLE
BESIDES, THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU'RE HERE.
...BUT,
THIS WAY
IS HE REALLY HAPPY?

A MERE HUMAN WANTS TO PROTECT HIKARU.
WHAT A JOKE!
ISN'T IT CUTE THAT WAY?
THE FEELINGS ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT.
IF YOU FORGIVE HUMANS,
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF THEY FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU?
THAT WOULD ONLY MAKE IT WORSE.
YOU'RE PROBABLY JUST OVERLY-SENSITIVE TO
HAPPI-NESS!
IF YOU CAN'T OBTAIN HAPPINESS,
YOU'LL THINK THAT WAY
WHAT AN IDIOT...
ISN'T IT CUTE THAT WAY?
SLUMP

HIKATO, HIS HIGHNESS GAVE UP THE THRONE TOO...
ONLY VAMPIRES WHO RETURNED TO THE LAND OF THE DEAD WERE RIGHT
NOTHING GOOD COMES FROM RELATIONS WITH HUMANS
MAYBE ONLY A HUMAN CAN CURE HIKATO HIS HIGHNESS'S, SCARS
Yeah, yeah, yeah.
THAT'S SHARP.
Figure it out yourself.
MAYBE HE JUST THINKS IT'S TROUBLESOME?
WHY...
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT
I WOULD BECOME A GROWN UP THAT MATCHES HIKATO
IF I GOT A JOB,

THAT'S ALL THAT I WANTED...
I'm a Barrier Master
SHA
GO CRAZY... WHAT ON EARTH ARE THEY DOING?
THIS WAY IF HIKATO GOES CRAZY DURING THE CHECK UP, HE WON'T HURT ANY PASSERSBYS
LET ME GO IN!
WE WON'T KILL OUR NEXT KING
DON'T WORRY,
I SET UP A BARRIER
WHAT'S THIS?
Normal people can't see it

WHAT?
THE QUEEN HAS ALWAYS WANTED TO GIVE THE THRONE TO HIKATO,
BUT I'M AGAINST IT
IF HIKATO CAN'T DO IT
IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR HIM TO JUST DIE NOW...
SLAP
DON'T SAY STUFF
LIKE KILLING AND DYING SO EASILY
BECAUSE THOSE ARE THE WORLD'S MOST IRRECOVERABLE THINGS!

GO IN THEN!
HUH?
VAMPIRES CAN GO IN
BUT ONCE YOU GET IN YOU CAN'T COME OUT ANYMORE
SFX. DASH
SHE DIDN'T EVEN HESITATE.
EVEN THOUGH SHE DOESN'T HAVE ANY POWER.
HIKATO!
ASAHI...
VOMIT OUT.

DON'T COME HERE!
You turned small again!
HIKATO!
THE DOCTOR...
I'M OVER HERE—
slush
slush
slush
I CAN TURN INTO LIQUID—
Also this is a special liquid
Kyaaaaaaaaa!

turns
tsk tsk
glare
OKAY, I GIVE UP!
LET'S START WITH THE SUBSTITUTE MOTHER—
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THAT KIND OF METHOD! NO WAY!
Do not fear
Do not fear as in
slash
slash
So I was saying...
IF I GET INTO HIKARU'S BODY
THEN I'LL BE ABLE TO DO A THOROUGH EXAMINATION...
SFX. WHOOSH
No——!
SFX. BAM

...HAVE YOU HAD ENOUGH?!
IDIOT DOCTOR!
SFX: GLARES
Somehow he managed to turn into an adult!
...WHEN IT COMES TO AGAH, HE'LL STUBBORNLY HOLD OUT.
HE...HE TURNED INTO THE COMBAT PERSONALITY-
SFX: SMASH
OMG!

DON'T RUN AWAY! IDIOT DOCTOR!
...THAT'S TOO WEIRD!
HIKATO, HIS HIGHNESS'S, COMBAT PERSONALITY SHOULD BE MORE CALM AND CONTROLLED!
THIS IS A CHILD'S TEMPER!
SCREECH
THE... THE HOUSE...!
SHUT UP! I'M ME!
AND YOU LOST WHAT YOU SHOULD HAVE.
YOU'VE HAD TOO MANY SUBSTITUTE MOTHERS.
バキ
バキ
SFX: SLAM BAM

TO DIE WITH THE WHOLE FAMILY.
MAYBE IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER FOR YOU.
YOU WEREN'T LIKE THIS BEFORE.
...HOW SAD!

HIKARU TRIES SO HARD TO LIVE!
EVERYONE'S TOO MUCH!
WHY WOULD THEY SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
WHY?

STOP IT!
I DON'T LIKE THIS
DON'T TOUCH HIKATO
DON'T HURT HIM!
IF YOU HURT HIKATO
OR ME,
I'LL TAKE AN EYE FOR AN EYE.

Die!
EVERYONE
DISAPPEAR!

Kyaaaaaa
AH...
HIS PERSONALITY RETURNED...
ONCE CHANGED IT SHOULD TAKE A LARGE AMOUNT OF POWER TO RESTRAIN IT
ASAHI!
ASAHI,
OPEN YOUR EYES!

IN MY BODY
IN...
THERE'S ANOTHER ME.
THAT'S THE VAMPIRE'S COMBAT PERSONALITY
...
THAT'S ...?
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE NOT OFFICIALLY ONE OF US YET, IT STILL APPEARED
I CAN DESTROY HER.
NO...
YOU CAN'T...
HUH...
YOU, YOU CAN'T DESTROY HER!

VAMPIRES TRAIN THIS TO BECOME MORE POWERFUL
AND USE IT TO FIGHT
Ah, the force is
THAT'S ...BECAUSE SOMETHING THAT LIVES IN MY BODY!
VAMPIRE OR NOT,
EVERY ONE HAS A DARK CORNER IN THEIR HEART
MAYBE THIS IS THE POWER THAT SHOULDN'T BE USED
EVEN THOUGH IT'S A SCARY POWER
BUT THAT'S BECAUSE THERE'S SOMETHING TO PROTECT, RIGHT?
THIS KIND OF A POWER,
IF IT'S A POWER LIKE HIKARU'S
DON'T DESTROY IT!

MAYBE HIKATO, WHO WAS HARMED BY HUMANS, CAN'T BE WITH ME
EVEN SO, I STILL WANT TO BE WITH HIM
THAT'S A PART OF ME AS WELL!
SO I CAN'T RUN AWAY
I WANT TO KNOW MORE
ABOUT HIKATO
I WON'T LOSE TO MYSELF!
EVEN THOUGH IT'S A POWER USED TO PROTECT,
IF IT'S NOT USED CORRECTLY, IT'LL TURN INTO SOMETHING ELSE.

WHEN I LOST MY COUNTRY,
I HAD MY REVENGE ON THE HUMANS
NO, THAT WASN'T REVENGE.
IT WAS SLAUGHTER
ANGER TOOK OVER ME AND ALL MY POWER
BEFORE I KNEW IT, THEY WERE ALL DEAD
EVEN INNOCENT CHILDREN
WOMAN AND OLD PEOPLE WITH NO WILL OR STRENGTH TO FIGHT,
EVERYTHING WAS DESTROYED IN A SECOND.
IT WAS LIKE THROWING A BOMB FROM THE SKY.

I'VE LIVED TOGETHER WITH HUMANS,
BUT WHY DID I HATE ALL OF THEM, JUST BECAUSE OF RACIAL DIFFERENCES?
JUST BECAUSE MY COUNTRY WAS DESTROYED, I DESTROYED THEM.
I DON'T THINK THAT'S FAIR
WE'VE ALL BEEN DEALT A BLOW THAT CAN'T BE RESTORED
LIVING WITH THIS KIND OF THOUGHT
...SOMEONE LIKE ME DOESN'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO LOVE AND BE LOVED...
NOR TALK ABOUT THE FUTURE!
...HOW COME...

I STILL LOVE YOU
BUT RIGHT NOW
I DON'T WANT TO BE SEPARATED FROM YOU.
I STILL WANT TO TOUCH YOU, WITH THESE HANDS PAINTED WITH BLOOD

I'VE ALWAYS BEEN HOLDING THESE HANDS!
EVER SINCE WE MET,
HIKATO,
I LOVE YOU SO MUCH.

I'LL NEVER
LEAVE YOUR SIDE.
WHY IS IT?
...THIS TIME
EVEN THOUGH I NEVER FORGIVEN
AH.

I WANT TO BECOME STRONG ENOUGH TO PROTECT THOSE I WANT TO PROTECT...
YOU THINK THAT HE'S USELESS TOO?
THAT'S STRANGE.
MAYBE THE USELESS PARTS WERE HEALED TOO?
INDEED IT DOES TAKE A HUMAN TO HEAL HIM!
Being a overflowing nurse it?
It's also not that simple
Yeah.
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
You didn't have to run that fast.
I JUST WANTED TO SEE HIKATO, YOUR HIGHNESS'S COMBAT PERSONALITY AND THE VAMPIRE ASAH ♥
OH, I DIDN'T WANT TO ENTER YOUR BODY

Post script

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I'm planning on making a third volume
If everyone can read to the end
I would be very happy

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